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CORLETT FAMILY IN AMERICA

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MAP—ISLE OF MAN—FRONTISPIECE

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Hand-drawn map of the area around the station.

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Dedicated

to

My Mother

AMY HELEN CORLETT

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We have doubtless omitted many important and interesting events in the lives of the men and women who compose the Corlett family. For this we are sorry. We could record only the information we could come upon.

CHAPTER I

The Isle of Man and Its People

THE ISLE OF MAN gave birth to the Corlett family and stamped each member of it, no matter where he went or where he lived, with the characteristics of the Manxmen.

Man, or Mon as it was called in the olden days, is a smug little island resting in the Irish Sea midway between England, Wales, Ireland, and Scotland. It is about thirty-three miles long from north to south, and twelve miles across in the widest places. The coastline is rugged, cut with chasms and caves, especially in the South; the terrain is rough and hilly; but both are very, very beautiful. A little north of the center of the island there rises over two thousand feet the highest hill, Snaefell, round and smooth, clothed in purple haze from the uplands to the sea which hides its feet. Of course, the rivers are small. Into Douglas Haven, or Habour, empties Avin-Glass (river bright) and Avin-Dhoo (river Dark). These as well as the Sulby in the north and even the Neb, whose waters flow from the lead fields to Peel Haven, are all picturesque. The two largest valleys are the Ballough and Andreas. There are also fields of shingly ground covered with sand beyond Bride Hill down to the sea. Nowhere in the British Isles is the scenery so beautiful as it is in Man.

The Manxman has inherited the characteristics of the two races that welded themselves together centuries ago upon the Isle of Man. From the Celt he has received a feeling

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of superstition and mysticism which in later days has developed into religious devotion. One of their number has written:

When the Manx language is dead there will remain, however, just one badge of our race—our superstition. I am proud to tell you that we are the most superstitious people now left among the civilized nations of the world—Manxmen have not yet taken the poetry out of the moon and the stars and the mist of the mountains and the wail of the Sea¹.

They are all singers, but Manx music is like the wail of the wind in a lonely place near the sea, sometimes like the sighing of the long grass, sometimes like the rain whipping the panes of a window with rods. Nearly always long-drawn like a moan, rarely various, never martial, never inspiring, often sad and plaintive, full of the brine, the salt foam, and the sad story of the sea.²

Together with these qualities are joined imagination, initiative and inventiveness, bravery and daring which give him an eagerness and capacity to weigh questions and to participate in public affairs, while in private life he has an equally practical consideration of life, tinged with satire, but with no cynicism. The final bequest of his Celtic forbears is a white-hot temper.

The Norsemen came to Man from Iceland and Norway

1. Hall Craine, *The Little Manx Nation*, pp. 130.

2. *Ibid* pp 116.

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the latter part of the eighth century, A.D. They have given the Manx a sturdy physique, breadth of chest, and increased height, as well as a dainty beauty, rosy cheeks, and clear white skin as sensitive as the Celtic temper. They have also given the islanders a gentleness of manner, an inclination to sloth—their motto is, “Time Enough”—strength of character, refinement, intelligence, and above all independence, hatred of rank, and modesty even to shyness. The Manxman is so fearful of owing anyone anything, that he sometimes holds himself coldly aloof and even refuses to accept the gifts of loved ones. Add to this a great pride and feeling of equality which dates back to the open Parliament of Tynwold¹ where every man had a right to stand before his chief and king and express his opinion, and where in the last analysis his vote decided issues.

The Celt and the Norsemen wedded to produce the Manx, but the Isle nurtured him and modified his character. From her narrow valleys and from the sea he gathered his food and other necessities of life by hard labor. Therefore, he became an orderly man, patient, persevering, not overly optimistic not yet too pessimistic, but just middling. He hoped for and was eager to secure stores of riches and was capable

1. The Norse divided the land into sheadings or ship districts, each with its own authority. Thing was a court or assembly in which all freemen participated equally. The Al-Thing met twice a year at St. Johns. It consisted of the Legislative Council and the House of Keys sitting together in Tynwold to consider the general good. In the wold, or forest, men built a hill or mound twelve feet high and eighteen feet across at the base. For it sods were brought from each sheading. This was called Tynwold Hill. After the Al-Thing adjourned, the King with great ceremony ascended the Hill, faced the Sun, and proclaimed law and judgement to the freemen standing about. Their vote upon each measure was an important part of the proceedings.

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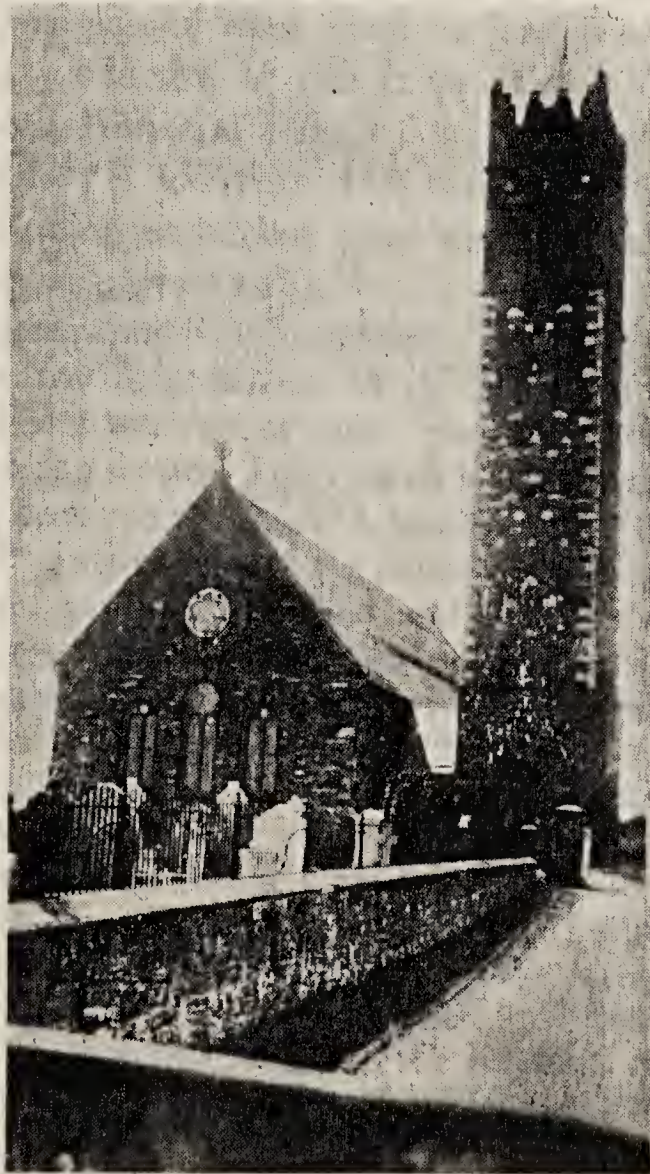
of caring for them when acquired. Well he knew that life depended upon his ability to provide for the future.

Common work close to nature intensified the wonderful pride of the Manxman. He knew himself the equal of any man, yet he was never a snob. He could wear the coarsest old clothes at work, but would hide in shame rather than not be as well dressed as the next one on a Sunday. He had quick sympathy for others in trouble and gave of his strength or his substance unhesitatingly. He was a marvelous host and would give his last morsel to entertain his guest in fitting manner. Even when taken in by another, he seldom complained, but no one could cheat him twice in the same way.

The Manxman loved the companionship of his fellows. He could sing, dance, or tell a tall tale with equal grace. He was much beloved—this religious man with the round ringing oath and the generous hand.

Adventurous too he was, as all seamen must be, yet very practical. He read fact rather than fiction, in books and most of all in nature. Perhaps, the Manxmen of today is the simplest and least spoiled child of nature in the civilized world, and this in spite of the fact that geographically he is close to complicated modern life.

In the fertile valley of Kirk Andreas lived a typical Manx family, the Corlett. The members of it displayed the familiar characteristics of the Manxmen. Most of them were farmers, but some entered the church, the school, or engaged in other occupations of the Isle. Our story begins with Daniel Corlett of Donaughney, who married Elenore Cannell, daughter of



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Daniel Cannell of Glunthrun, Kirk-Michael near Bishope Court, and settled in the parish of Kirk Andreas, Lezayre, in the northern part of Man. Here the land was flat, devoid of hills and productive of rich crops. Two children were born to them, Ann and John.

In 1930 Leroy E. Corlett and his wife of Oskaloosa, Iowa, visited the land of his fathers. From the account of his journey we read on pages 15-16:

Andreas church is about the largest in the Island and has for its Rector the Arch Deacon of the Island. There were about eighty persons present for the morning service. This church is not so very old, having been erected in 1872, and the tower a little later. There are parts of the church, however, that are over a thousand years old, and some of the slabs used in the gable in the north are very, very old and bear inscriptions of the Norse period. After the service ended the people quietly went out without taking any particular notice of us, as strangers. We went with the Sexton into the cemetery adjoining the church and found many aged marker tombstones bearing the name Corlett. The Rector came to us in the yard after the service. We introduced ourselves and told him why we were there. He invited us to go with him to the Rectory, a short distance from the church. He then said, "When did you say your father was born?" He was told July 4, 1828. He stepped to a bookcase and took down an old record, opened it, and after turning two pages, said, "Well, here is the record of the baptism of your father." He wrote it down as follows:

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Andreas Baptisms

Anno 1828

*John Edward, son of John Corlett and Ann
Cottier, baptized 6th July.*

The above is a true copy of an entry in Register
of Baptisms in the parish of Andreas in the Isle
of Man made this 22nd. June, 1930 by me.

J. KEWLEY

Rector of the parish and
Arch Deacon of the Isle.

CHAPTER II

Geneology of the Corlett Family

- I DANIEL CORLETT, born 1767, Donaughney, Isle of Man.
Died 1817, Andreas, Lezayre, Isle of Man.
Married Elenore Cannell, daughter of Daniel Cannell of Glounthrun, Kirk Michael. Settled in Andreas, Lezayer, Isle of Man.
Children: (1) Ann, (2) John.
- II 2 JOHN CORLETT, son of Daniel and Elenore.
Born April 5, 1800, Andreas, Lezayre, Isle of Man.
Died 1873, Dutchess County, New York, U.S.A.
Married Nov. 9, 1823, Ann Cottier (1796-1871) daughter of William Cottier and Lonora of Kirk Christ, Lezayre, Isle of Man. For twelve years they resided in Douglas, a sea port on the Southeast coast of Man. To them were born three children:
- A 1 JOHN JAMES, born Feb. 7, 1825, died May 11, 1825.
- B 2 MARGARET ANN, born April 10, 1826.
- C 3 JOHN EDWARD, born July 4, 1828.
In 1835 the call of the sea and of distant lands took hold of John Corlett. He and his family moved to the United States of America and settled at Rhinebeck, Dutchess County, New York. Since he was a very positive man, he earned the nickname of King of the

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Delaware Country. Two children were born here.

D 4 SARAH CATHERINE, February 12, 1837.

E 5 SUSAN MORIAH, April 20, 1839.

III B2 MARGARET ANN CORLETT, daughter of John and Ann.

Born April 10, 1826, Douglas, Isle of Man.

Died February 16, 1911 at Norwalk, Connecticut, U.S.A. She was buried at Westport, Connecticut.

Married (1) (1845) Joseph Piedfer (2) Mr. Hitchcock.

Children of the first marriage:

(1) Louise, born 1847; died 1867.

(2) Josephine, born 1849; married Adelbert Thompkins. They had one daughter.

(3) Constance, born 1851.

(4) Florence, born 1853.

(5) Estella.

As a widow, Margaret Ann Corlett Piedfer lived at Bushnellville, New York. She was a member of the Seventh Day Adventist Church.

IV B 2 3 CONSTANCE PIEDFER, daughter of Joseph and Margaret Ann.

Born 1851; died 1888. Married John McLaury.

She was a school teacher, writer and artist. She was very beautiful. Her hair was especially remarkable.

IV B 2 4 FLORENCE PIEDFER, daughter of Joseph and Margaret Ann.

Born 1853; died 1888.

Married Henry Roe. They had three sons and two daughters.

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IV B 2 5 ESTELLA PIEDFER, daughter of Joseph and Margaret Ann.

Married Mr. Ruland. They had a daughter, Margaret.

III C 3 JOHN EDWARD CORLETT, son of John and Ann.

Born July 4, 1828; baptized Andreas, Isle of Man. Died October 6, 1912 at Rolfe, Iowa, U.S.A.

Married May 31, 1851, Catherine Amanda Crawford (1835-1906) daughter of James and Eleanor Quick Crawford of Pike County, Pa., U.S.A. Their children:

IV C 3 1 HORACE BENJAMIN, born December 30, 1852 in Sullivan County, New York.

IV C 3 2 MARY ELLEN, born November 8, 1854, Sullivan County, New York.

IV C 3 3 FRANK JOHN, born May 8, 1856, Clayton County, Iowa.

IV C 3 4 JAMES EMORY, born March 14, 1858, Clayton County, Iowa.

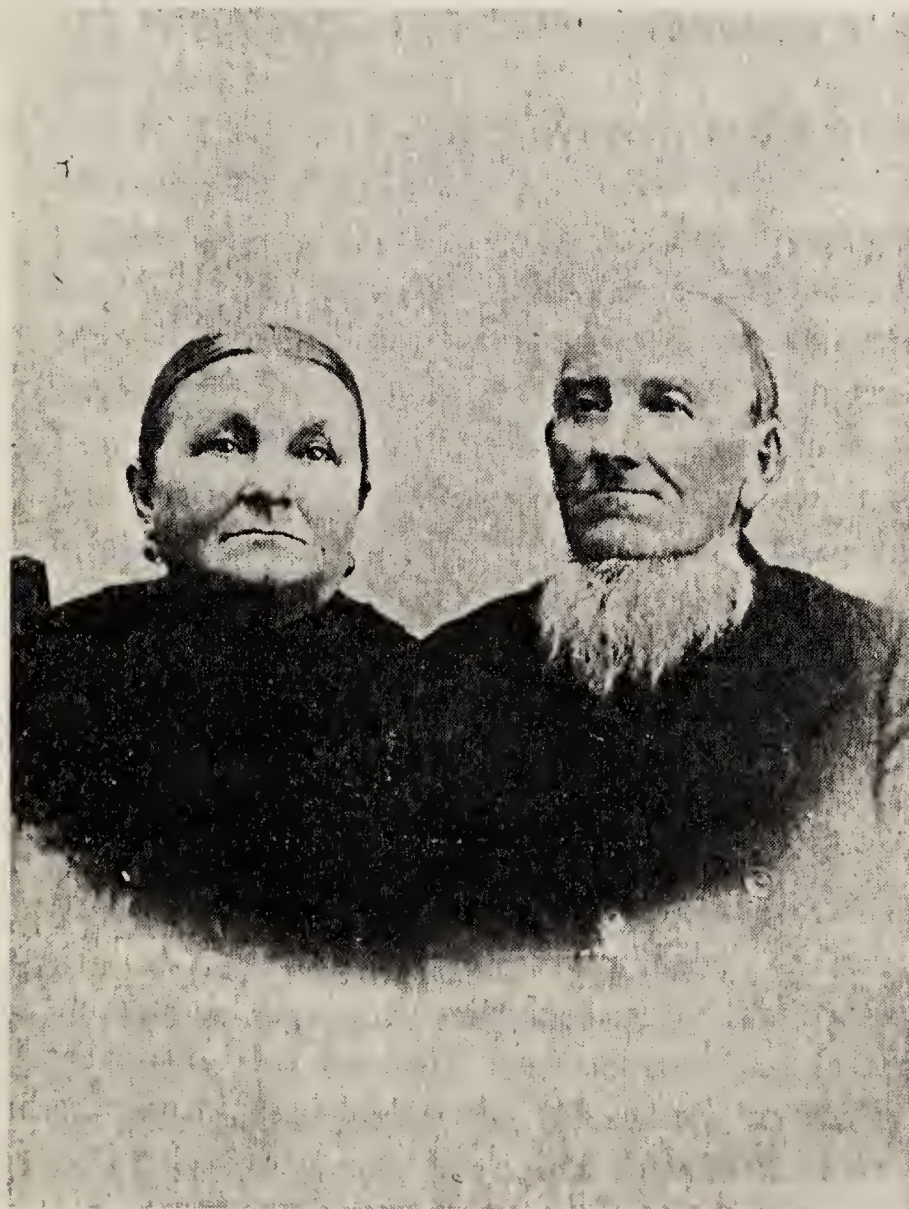
IV C 3 5 LUCAS ALLEN, born February 14, 1860, Clayton County, Iowa; died September 19, 1878.

IV C 3 6 WILLARD BEST, born November 23, 1861, Clayton County, Iowa.

IV C 3 7 AMY HELEN, born January 22, 1864, Clayton County, Iowa.

IV C 3 8 ANNA JEANNETTE, born July 3, 1866, Clayton County, Iowa.

IV C 3 9 CYRUS COLFAX, born October 29, 1868, Clayton County, Iowa.



JOHN EDWARD CORLETT
CATHERINE AMANDA CRAWFORD

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- IV C 3 10 CHARLES ALFRED, born October 23, 1870, Clayton County, Iowa.
- IV C 3 11 SAMUEL DENTON, born August 31, 1872, Clayton County, Iowa.
- IV C 3 12 LEROY EVERTON, born March 18, 1875, Clayton County, Iowa.

John Edward Corlett spent the first seven years of his life in the important port city of Douglas, Isle of Man. Then with his parents and sister Margaret, he voyaged to America to find a new home in Dutchess County, New York. The boy was eager to learn and quick to absorb knowledge of everything he contacted in person or through the printed page. At one time he worked in a sawmill. One day a log rolled out of control, struck him and permanently injured his right eye.

May 31, 1851 he married Catherine Amanda Crawford¹ and established a home in Sullivan County, New York. Here, their two oldest children were born. January 22, 1856 at Monticello, Sullivan County, New York, John Edward Corlett became a naturalized citizen of the United States of America. That event marked an important milestone in his life. Almost immediately this energetic and adventurous father lead his little family across the Mississippi to the frontier of Clayton County, Iowa. He secured land in Farmersburg Township and went to work to develop it. Here he and his wife reared a family of twelve children; nine sons and three daughters, and played an

1. see Crawford Genealogy, p 64-65.



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important part in the development of eastern Iowa.

John E. Corlett became a leading horticulturist who was especially interested in apples, plums, and grapes, which always took prizes at Iowa fairs. His grapes won high honors at the Chicago Fair of 1894. He was an ardent worker in the Clayton County Agricultural Association, especially in the organization and direction of the Annual Fair at National, Iowa.

This tireless and progressive farmer was also one of the best informed men in the field of national, state, and local politics. When he had, after careful consideration, reached a conclusion upon an issue, nothing could stop him from doing what he thought was right in the matter. Many and heated were the political debates of which he was a party. During the war of the States, he enlisted twice but each time was rejected because of faulty vision. Nevertheless he was an excellent marksman and even when an old man well past his three score years and ten, brought down a bird that was flying so high that younger eyes and hands would not attempt the shot. Denied an army career, he became United States Marshall and Captain of a company of the Home Guard. One of his duties as Marshall was to take the Federal Census¹ (1860-1870). He recorded facts so accurately and clearly that his work is a credit to him and to his office. After the war he was Department Treasurer.

1. The Iowa Census Records are now in the Archives of the United States, and Washington, D. C., U.S.A.

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In another field of activity, John Edward was one of the organizers of the Clayton County Mutual Fire Insurance Company, and was secretary of it for many years. Likewise, he was instrumental in organizing the Iowa Mutual Tornado Insurance Company. As a friend of Colonel Richardson, founder of the *North Iowa Times*, he helped to equip the first newspaper office in Iowa in 1856.

John Edward was small of stature, quick of thought, alert, and energetic. He read widely, traveled all over the United States and adjoining countries, was interested in many things, and a keen observer of men and events. He was generous to a fault and gave unsparingly of time and substance to help a good cause or a person in need. Two of his favorite expressions were, "Why, God bless me," and "Don't say too tarnel much." As father of a large family, as an authority in the field of horticulture, as an organizer of business, as a patriot and active public servant, the little Manx boy became a citizen of the United States and a man of great influence in a pioneer land, and a much beloved friend of many.

After Mrs. Corlett's death August 19, 1906, he closed his home in Elkader, Iowa, whither he had retired some years earlier, and made his home with his children. Since they were widely scattered, it afforded him an opportunity to satisfy his life-long pleasure to travel.

October 6, 1912 he died at the home of his daughter

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Jeannette at Rolfe, Iowa, and was buried beside his wife and three sons in the Girard Cemetery, Clayton County, Iowa.

IV C 3 1 HORACE BENJAMIN CORLETT, son of John Edward and Catherine Amanda.

Born December 30, 1852 in Sullivan County, New York.

Died August 10, 1932, at Clarion, Iowa.

Married September 27, 1877, L. Belle Hall¹ (1853-1913) who was reared in Alomakee County, Iowa.

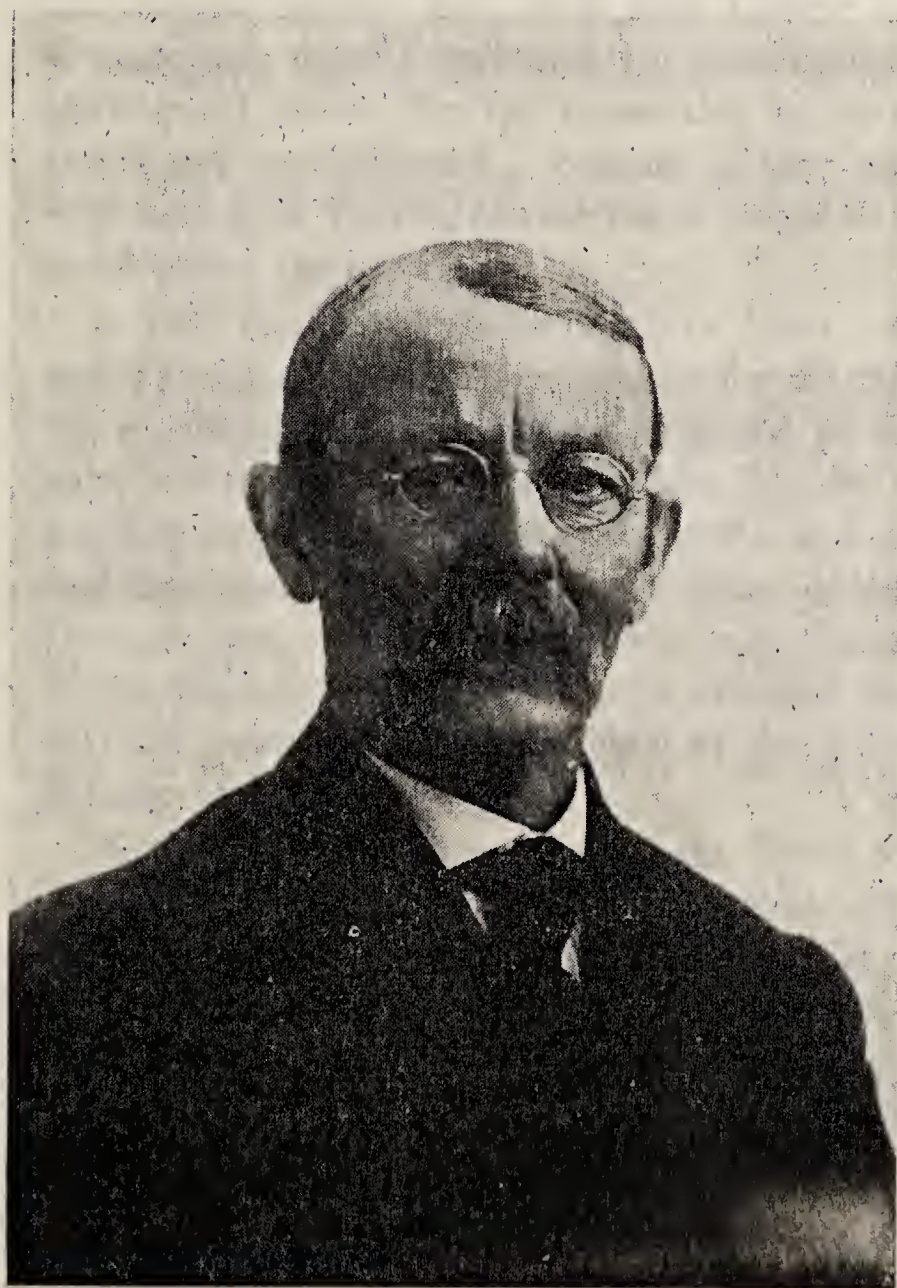
Their Children:

1. Glen Hall, born December 3, 1881.
2. Bernice, Born March 2, 1885.
3. Lyle Horace, born October 7, 1888.
4. Dean Holmes, born June 22, 1892.

When Horace was a boy of three winters, he came with his parents to Clayton County, Ia. Here he grew to manhood, attended the district school and learned much from his parents. Tall, slender, athletic, quick-tempered, he was mentally and physically strong and prided himself upon clean thinking and clean living.

On September 27, 1877, he married a pretty dark-eyed school teacher, L. Belle Hall, in Clayton County, Iowa. Their first home was his grandfather's place, the James of Crawford Farm. Then they moved to Monona where Horace had a machinery business. In 1880 he sold out and the young couple moved on to Ossian,

1. The story is told that, as a little girl she was given a silk dress, whereupon she went about smoothing it down and saying, "Lady, lady, lady."—Thereafter her brothers called her Lady which, as she grew up, was shortened to Lade. Belle was forgotten. Everyone knew her as Lade Hall.



HORACE BENJAMIN CORLETT

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Iowa. At least three important things happened during the ten-year sojourn here. First Mrs. Corlett wanted to make their name French and therefore, changed the spelling to Corlette. For this reason this branch of the family still uses the extra *e*. Second, all their children were born here. Finally, Horace began his public career as Mayor of the town.

In 1900 Horace moved the family to Ames, Iowa, to secure better educational opportunities for the children. He continued the trade he had followed in Ossian, namely that of contractor and builder. His fine workmanship may still be found in the public and private buildings erected during his long residence in the city. He was councilman at large and Mayor of Ames. One of the important public services he rendered the city was the promotion of the building of the Municipal Electric Light Plant.

He was a Mason; a member of the Blue Lodge at Ames, of the Shrine at Des Moines, Iowa, as well as of the Concistory and the Commandery. His chief recreations were fishing and hunting. After retiring from active work, he made his home with his son Lyle and with his daughter Bernice. At the latter's home at Clarion, Iowa, he died August 10, 1932.

V C 3 11 GLEN HALL CORLETTE, son of Horace Benjamin and L. Belle.

Born December 3, 1881; Died July 15, 1942.

Married August 9, 1911, Laura Dyole (1880-).

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Children:

1. Constance Carol, born September 9, 1912.
2. Gilbert Horace, born December 7, 1913
3. Anita, born February 18, 1915; died December 1, 1916.
4. Ruth Elizabeth, born August 24, 1917.

Glen Hall Corlette received a B.S. degree from Iowa State College in 1904. Almost immediately he entered the employ of the Fairbanks-Morse Company. In 1906 he was sent as the company's representative to South America, with his office in Buenos Aires. For sixteen years he introduced modern farm machinery and taught its use to Latin Americans. During a vacation trip home in 1911, he married Laura Dyole of Ossian. All their children were born in Buenos Aires, and Anita died there also, of infantile paralysis.

In 1922 Glen returned to the States and was stationed at the company's Cincinnati plant. Finally, he severed his connections with it and moved to Linton, Indiana, where he operated a refrigeration and bottling works. His hobby was photography.

The present address of Mrs. Glen H. Corlette is 160 C Street, N. E., Linton, Indiana.

VI C 3111 CONSTANCE CAROL CORLETTE, daughter of Glen Hall and Laura.

Born September 9, 1912; Married 1940 Clare Falkner.

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Children: Robert and Richard and two others.

Constance was a graduate of Iowa State College. Her present address is Monona, Iowa.

VI C 3112 GILBERT HORACE CORLETTE, son of Glen Hall and Laura.

Born December 7, 1913; Married 1941, Mildred Auble. Gilbert Horace attended the University at Cincinnati. During World War II he served in an Army Hospital Unit.

VI C 3114 RUTH ELIZABETH CORLETTE, daughter of Glen Hall and Laura.

Born August 24, 1917; Married 1941, Herbert E. Bickel.

Children: Bruce Phillip, born April 24, 1947.

Ruth Elizabeth entered Iowa State College in 1935.

V C 312 BERNICE CORLETTE, daughter of Horace Benjamin and L. Belle.

Born March 2, 1885.

Married 1909, Ransom Bernard, M.D. (1882-) of Elkader, Iowa.

Children: Bernice Lauretta, born 1910 at Clarion, Iowa.

Bernice received a B.S. degree in Domestic Science from Iowa State College in 1904. Thereafter she put her knowledge to practical use as the charming wife of a very popular and successful physician. Her present address is Commodore Hotel, 3400 Grand Avenue, Des Moines, Iowa.

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VI C 3121 BERNICE LAURETTA BERNARD, daughter of Ransom and Bernice.

Born 1910 at Clarion, Iowa.

Married October 6, 1936, Henry Montgomery Black (1907-).

Children:

1. Bruce, born 1937.

2. Bernice III, born January 3, 1942.

Bernice Lauretta received a B.S. degree in Commerce from Northwestern University in 1931 and M.S. in retailing from New York University in 1932. Her husband, Henry Montgomery Black, received a B.S. degree in Mechanical Engineering from Iowa State College in 1929 and M.S. from Harvard University in 1934. From February 9, 1941 to October 9, 1946 he served with distinction in the European theatre of war as Colonel of the Engineers of the Army of the United States. Shortly after his discharge he became head of the Department of Mechanical Engineering at Iowa State College. The present address is 2819 Ross Road, Ames, Iowa.

V C 313 LYLE HORACE CORLETTE, son of Horace Benjamin and L. Belle.

Born October 7, 1888.

Married May 21, 1919, Edith McCulley, daughter of George and Sarah Biggerstaff McCulley.

Children:

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1. Douglas Lyle, born July 30, 1920.
2. Sally Lade, born July 11, 1932.
3. Suzanne, born October 4, 1934.

Lyle¹ Horace Corlett graduated from the Ames High School in 1905 and received a B.S. degree in Mechanical Engineering and a B.S. in Electrical Engineering, from Iowa State College in 1910. In 1915 he received the E.E. degree in Electrical engineering, 1910-1928 Lyle was employed by the General Electric Company as a railroad specialist. His office was in Schnectady, New York. In 1917 he enlisted in the Army of the United States and entered France with the Rainbow Division as an air cadet to train with the French Army. He became a pilot in March 1918 with the rank of 2nd Lieut. of the 258th Aero-squadron of the Army. He flew a Salmson plane. He was honorably discharged May, 1919. 1928-29, Lyle had an automobile business. 1929-1944 he was associated with A.E.F. Motor Company as New York District Manager and as Vice-President. In 1944 he became Vice-President of A.E.F. Brill Motor Company with his office in Philadelphia, Pa. He also operated a manufacturing plant of his own.

He is a member of the Blue Lodge of Freemasons, the Shrine, and the Commandery, the Engineers Club

1. Lyle was in College at the time that silk hosiery was replacing lyle stockings. His schoolmates said that Corlette was such a fine fellow he should be called Silk instead of Lyle. The nickname stuck. The rest of his life his friends called him Silk.

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of New York, Racquet Club of Philadelphia, the Philadelphia Country Club, and a life member of the Edison Club of Schenectady. His recreations are hunting, fishing, and golf. Present address: 309 Llandrillo Road, Bala-Cynwid, Pa.

- VI C 3131 DOUGLAS LYLE CORLETTE, son of Lyle Horace and Edith.

Born July 30, 1920.

In 1942 Douglas received his M.E. degree from Iowa State College. 1943, during World War II, he enlisted in the Army Air Corps and attained the rank of Colonel. As a pilot of a B-26 he flew 54 combat missions in seven combat zones in Europe and in Africa. He received many honors, among which were Coir de guerre, Air Medal with four Stars and a Presidential Citation. He was honorably discharged October, 1946. In 1948 he received a B.S. degree from Iowa State College. Thereafter he bought and operated an auto-parts business in Princeton, New Jersey.

- V C 314 DEAN HOLMES CORLETTE, son of Horace Benjamin and L. Belle.

Born June 22, 1892, Ossian, Iowa.

Married (1) May, 1914, Faith Laugherin (1890-1933).
(2) November 1937, Wynona Durr.

Children: 1. Dean, born August 3, 1915; died November 30, 1935; (2) Stephen Horace, born March 13, 1917, Davenport, Ia.

Dean Holmes received in 1914 a B.S. degree in Animal Husbandry and Agriculture from Iowa State College.

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The same year he became associated with the Curtis Lumber Company, which was an affiliate of the Weirhauser Lumber Company. His office was at Clinton, Iowa, 1913-1923. In 1923 he was employed by the Gates Rubber Company with offices in Chicago. In 1945 he became District Manager of Industrial Sales Division, Southern District of Texas, of the Gates Rubber Company with offices in Houston, Texas. Present address 6622 Sewanee Street, Houston 5, Texas.

VI. C 3142 STEPHEN HORACE CORLETTE, son of Dean Holmes and Faith. Born March 13, 1917, Davenport, Iowa.

Married September 4, 1937, Jean Sturges (1916-), Chicago, Ill.

Children:

1. Jean Faith, born April 30, 1940, Chicago, Ill.
2. Stephanie, born March 6, 1944, Dowagiac, Mich.
3. Dean Laugharan, born February 17, 1947, Dowagiac, Mich.

Stephen Horace was educated in the Chicago Public Schools, University of Arkansas, and Morgan Park Junior College. In 1937 he married Jean Sturges of Chicago, Ill. After completing her schooling in the public schools, she attended the University of Alabama and the Art Institute of Chicago. Stephen is now a farmer whose present address is Linden Lea Farm, Cassopolis, Mich.

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IV C 32 MARY ELLEN CORLETT, daughter of John Edward and Catherine Amanda.

Born November 8, 1854, Sullivan County, New York.

Died May 7, 1942, Washington, D. C.

Married, March 27, 1877, William Pierce Hallett (1851-1928).

Children:

1. Earle Moses, born March 27, 1878,
Mount Carroll, Ill.

2. Marion Corlett, born June 27, 1882,
Farmersburg, Clayton County, Ia.

Mary Ellen was born on a farm in Sullivan County, New York. When a year old her parents moved to Clayton County, Iowa. Here she grew to womanhood. In 1874 she enrolled in the Frances Shimer Academy at Mt. Carroll, Ill. During the two years there, she studied art, literature, and music, and made the acquaintance of William Pierce Hallett, one of the partners in a shoe store in the town. March 27, 1877 they were married at the home of her parents.

Mr. W. P. Hallett was born May 17, 1851 at Mt. Carroll, Illinois, the son of James and Amanda Lindsay Hallett. He was educated in the public schools of Mt. Carroll and at Beloit College. He became a registered pharmacist in Iowa and Illinois. In April 1873 he and his brother Russell opened a boot and shoe store which they operated for three years. Thereafter, William worked for his father. The following year he married Mary Ellen Corlett, or Ella, as she was familiarly known.



MARY ELLEN CORLETT HALLETT

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1880-1889 The Halletts lived in Wyoming, Iowa, where he owned a drug store. For four years he was also city treasurer. Upon the death of his father, he and his little family returned to Mt. Carroll, but in 1891 moved to Sterling, Illinois. Here he was employed as a phramacist until in 1897 he and his son Earle opened a drug store. In 1920 he retired from business. Thereafter he and his wife made their home with their daughter Marion in Washington, D. C. Throughout his life Mr. Hallett was a devoted member of the Presbyterian Church. As a director in the Y.M.C.A., a member of I.O.O.F., father of a family, and elder of the church, he lived the Christian principles as few are able to do.

As the wife of William Hallett, Ella had three interests; her children, her art, and her church. She produced many landscapes, pictures of flowers and of still life in crayon, water colors or oils. Although she was one of the first members of the Sterling Woman's Club, her civic life centered about her church. She was the doer of the thousand and one duties which fall to the lot of a religious woman. Her life was spent chiefly in doing little things to smooth the path of others.

In her eighty-eighth year she suffered a stroke of paralysis and died within a few hours. She and her husband are both interred at Sterling, Ill.

V C 321 EARLE MOSES HALLETT, son of William Pierce and Mary Ellen.

Born March 27, '1878, Mt. Carroll, Ill.

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Married (1) December 27, 1906, Anna Catherine Stemmer (1883-1938), daughter of Jacob and Elizabeth Dittmer Stemmer of Elkader, Iowa.

(2) Susan—1950, Washington, D. C.

Children:

1. Marion Elizabeth, born January 9, 1911.
2. William Earle, born July 10, 1915.
3. Mary Ellen, born December 10, 1918.

Earle Moses Hallett left Wyoming, Iowa, when eleven years old and grew to manhood at Sterling, Illinois. After a public school education, he entered partnership with his father in 1897. They owned and operated a pharmacy, Stationery, office and School Supplies Store. When his father retired in 1920, he discontinued the Pharmacy. After forty-three years in business, he sold out and made his home with his sister Marion in Washington, D. C. He was Treasurer of the First Presbyterian Church of Sterling for five years, and Elder for many more; a member of the Chamber of Commerce and chairman of the Arrangement Committee for the Sterling Centennial Celebration; the first President of Central School Parent Teachers Association, Treasurer of the Tri-County Drug Association of Northern Illinois for twelve years, and a member for over forty years, for fifteen years secretary of Riverside Memorial Mausoleum Association. Present address, 3834 Garfield St., N. W., Washington 7, D. C.

VI C 3211 MARION ELIZABETH HALLETT, daughter of Earle Moses and Anna Catherine.

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Born January 9, 1911, at Sterling, Illinois.

Married April 1, 1942, Major Daniel Luther Derr (1907-), son of Charles Jacob and Laura Knode Derr of Harpers Ferry, West Virginia.

He entered the United States Army Air Corps in 1942 as Second Lieutenant. He was pilot of the First Photo Charting Squadron, Flight B, 6th Air Force, which later became the 311th Photo Reconnaissance Wing. He rose to the rank of Major. After his honorable discharge in 1946, he became Field Service Representative for the Nash-Kelvinator Corporation of Detroit, Michigan.

Marion Elizabeth graduated from Sterling Township High School in 1928. 1928-1930 she attended North Central College. In 1932 she received a B.A. degree in Home Economics from the University of Illinois. November, 1933-December, 1935, she was an assistant to the Supervisor in the Department of Agriculture Cafeteria, Washington, D. C. January to April, 1936, she was assistant in the Tea Room of the Ford Hopkins Drug Company, Chicago, Ill. April to November, 1936, she was a trainee at Alberts Cafeteria and Tea Room in Chicago. November, 1936, until February, 1938, she was cafeteria Assistant and Assistant Manager in the Chicago Public Schools. February, 1938, 'till May, 1942, she was Director of Public School Cafeterias at Evansville, Indiana. It was during this time, April 1, 1942, that she married Daniel Luther Derr. In 1942-43 Marion Elizabeth completed a voca-

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tional course at Indiana State Teachers College. 1942-1946 she was a clerk in the Machine Tabulation Division of Foreign Trade and of the Census Bureau, Department of Commerce, Washington, D. C. In September, 1946, she became a record clerk in the office of Secretary of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, Washington, D. C., which position she still holds (1951).

During her school days, Marion Elizabeth was interested in dramatics, athletics, especially soccer and basketball. She belonged to Home Economics Clubs and to the McKinley Foundation Club at Champaign, Ill. During World War II she worked with the Canteen Corps and Dietitian Aid Corps of the American Red Cross. The present address of Daniel and Marion Derr is 1715 Evarts Street, N. E., Washington 18, D. C.

VI C 3212 WILLIAM EARLE HALLETT, son of Earle Moses and Anna Catherine.

Born July 10, 1915 at Sterling, Ill.

Married May, 1937, Margaret Marie Schuldt (1916-), daughter of Frank August and Florence Ruth Shufelt Schuldt of Harvard, Ill.

Children:

1. Ruth Ann, born July 16, 1938.

2. James Arthur, born April 23, 1947.

William Earle graduated from the Sterling Township High School in 1933 and with honors from Massanutten Military Academy, Woodstock, Va., 1935. During World War II he worked for Douglas Aircraft

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Corporation, as Tooling Investigator. Still later he was a salesman in the employ of Montgomery Ward & Co., and other Chicago firms. Present address is 4434 N. Seeley Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

VI C 3213 MARY ELLEN HALLETT, daughter of Earle Moses and Anna Catherine.

Born December 10, 1918, Sterling, Ill.

Married June 18, 1947, Herbert McClellan Irvin (1919-), son of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert I. Irvin of Alexandria, Pa.

Herbert M. Irvin graduated from high school and from Shepherd College. He also attended the Navy Supply School at Harvard University. During World War II he served as Lieutenant in the Navy as supply and disbursing officer. His major overseas assignment was aboard a repair ship attached to the amphibious forces of the South Pacific Fleet. Among the many operations in which he shared were those of Leyte, Luzon, and Okinawa. After his discharge from service, he was connected with the Naval Research Laboratory. He resigned in order to complete his course of study at the University of Maryland.

Mary Ellen graduated from Sterling Township High School, attended the American University, Purdue University, and in 1947 received a B.A. degree from the University of Maryland. She was a member of Beta Sigma Phi Sorority. During World War II, she held a secretarial position with Republic Aviation Corporation, Evansville, Indiana, and later with the National

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office of the American Red Cross. The present address of Herbert M. and Mary Ellen Irvin is 32 E. Crescent Road, Greenbelt, Maryland.

V C 322 MARION CORLETT HALLETT, daughter of William Pierce and Mary Ellen.

Born June 27, 1882, Farmersburg, Iowa.

Married March 6, 1913, Arthur Kemp Jones (1872-1940).

Arthur K. Jones was born in 1872 in Queen Anne County, Maryland. He attended Queen Anne Academy, and received a degree in law from the University of Maryland. Thereafter he was employed in the law department of the Merchants' Credit and Collection Bureau in Baltimore. In 1898 he entered the Army of the United States and served during the Spanish-American War and the Philippine Insurrection. After his discharge from military service he became connected with the civil government established in Manilla by the United States under the Taft Commission. He became chief of the Division of Documents in the Executive Bureau. 1905-1910 he was Clerk of the Court of Land Registration. 1910-1915 he did legal work with the Bureau of Public Works. In 1917 he entered the General Land Office of the Department of Interior, Washington, D. C., which position he held until his death in 1940. Arthur K. Jones was a member of the Richard J. Harding Camp No. 2, United Spanish War Veterans, and of the American Federation of Government Employees.

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Marion Corlett Hallett's public service began when she was twelve years old. That summer she organized a kindergarten which she continued three seasons, first at her home and finally at Camp Meetings. In 1901 she graduated from Sterling Township High School and in 1902 from Frances Shimer Academy at Mt. Carroll, Ill. (now called Frances Shimer College) with a major in languages. She was, however, greatly attracted to the new field of domestic science. Through a competitive examination she won an all-expense scholarship offered by The National Magazine to Oread Institute of Domestic Science¹, Worcester, Mass. She graduated in 1903. That summer, while visiting relatives in New York, Marion responded to a request to open classes in Domestic Art, as sewing was then called. Mrs. John Jacob Astor sponsored one at Rhinecliff, N. Y.; and Mrs. Margaret Chanler Aldrich, at Barrytown, N. Y. The latter also took private lessons at her home on the Hudson. 1903-4, Marion held a position with the National Foods Company in Chicago, Ill. 1904-7, she was Manager of Yeatman High School Cafeteria, St. Louis, Mo.; 1907-9, she was Manager of Lincoln High School Cafeteria and 1909-10 of Queen Anne High School Cafeteria, Seattle, Washington. In the spring of 1910, Marion traveled with a party which included her cousin, Ruth Corlett, through Japan. On this trip she met the handsome attorney from Manilla, Arthur Kemp Jones. 1912-13 she was manager of Polytechnic High School Cafeteria,

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Los Angeles, Calif. Marion's greatest contribution to her profession up to this time was the organization of school lunch rooms, where good wholesome food could be procured for five cents a dish.

February 15, 1913, Marion and her mother sailed from San Francisco for Japan where they met Arthur Jones. The young couple were married March 6, 1913 at the Presbyterian Manse in Yokahama. For two happy romantic years they lived in Manilla, Philippine Islands, before returning to the States in May, 1915.

After a sojourn in Chicago, Arthur and Marion went to Washington, D. C., 1917. World War I was in progress. Mr. Herbert Hoover, United States Food Administrator, asked Marion to be manager of the United States Food Administration Cafeteria and help to devise ways of economizing in foods, finding substitutes for some of the usual foodstuffs without decreasing the nutritive value of the diet. She accepted the challenge. From a very modest beginning in a corner of the building, she overcame the obstacles of wartimes and served as many as twenty-five hundred persons a day with good food, so purchased and conserved as to set an example for cooks and housewives throughout the nation. The Cafeteria made money too—one of the few government enterprises that did. However, prices were low; roast beef and gravy cost fifteen cents. After the war when the Food Administration demobi-

1. Oread Institute was founded by Henry D. Perky, President of the National Foods Company—"to teach the higher arts of domestic science." (page 41)

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lized, it became the War Department Cafeteria under the Welfare Service of the War Department.

In 1927, after ten years of service, Marion resigned. Many sought her services. Finally in 1929 she became Director of Food Service at the Dodge Hotel, which position she held till 1933. In that year she became Manager of the United States Department of Agriculture Cafeteria operated by the United States Department of Agriculture Welfare Association. Besides supervising the dietetic needs of the patrons, she also interested herself in the recreational needs of the members of her staff. Before World War II she gave to members of the department, classes in foodstuffs, their preparation and serving. She built up the cafeteria from a patronage of six hundred a day to over twelve thousand. Marion retired in May, 1949. Thus ended a long and brilliant career as Executive in the Institutional Field of Home Economics.

At the same time that this tall, dark-eyed, stately woman was an outstanding figure in her profession, Marion graciously maintained a happy home for her husband, her father and mother, her widowed brother and his children, and for an army of friends and relatives who came to her door. She was a member of the District of Columbia Home Economics Association, and for many years chairman of the Food Service Committee of the Washington Y.W.C.A. and a member of the Board of Directors. She was an active member of the Washington Chapter of the Business and Pro-

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professional Women's Club of which she was a committee chairman and director, a member of the Washington branch of Frances Shimer College Alumnae, of the Presbyterian Church, and of the Descendants of '76 Chapter, D.A.R. Her present address is 3834 Garfield Street, N. W., Washington 7, D. C.

IV C 33 FRANK JOHN CORLETT, son of John Edward and Catherine Amanda.

Born May 8, 1856, Clayton County, Iowa.

Married (1) December 17, 1883, Mary L. Hall (1862-1894), daughter of C. F. and L. M. Hall of Farmersburg Township, Clayton County, Iowa. (2) November 27, 1895, Lillian Birdsey (1871-1914).

Died April 24, 1931.

Children:

1. Mattie Mancile, 1885-1886.
2. Alfred Hale, born July 22, 1887.
3. Cyrus Raymond, born January 19, 1890.
4. Mary Lillian, born 1896.
5. Donald Dexter, born 1897.
6. Elton Francis, born 1899.
7. John Everett, born 1901.
8. Helen Vera, born 1903.
9. Ralph Leigh, born 1905.
10. James Eugene, born Aug. 20, 1907.
11. Frances, born, 1913.

Frank John was born, reared, lived, and died in Clayton County, Iowa. He was educated in the public schools, but continued throughout his life to study

Girl Scout Court Of Awards Thursday Evening

The annual Girl Scout of Awards will be held in the high school auditorium Thursday evening, Apr. 23, at 7:30 p. m.

Over 300 proficiency badges in the 11 program fields and first and second class curved bar awards will be given to more than 100 Girl Scouts from the eight intermediate scout troops. Fifty Brownie scouts will participate in the city-wide fly-up ceremony.

Adult leaders will receive three year pins and five year numeral awards and council members will be recognized for ten year service.

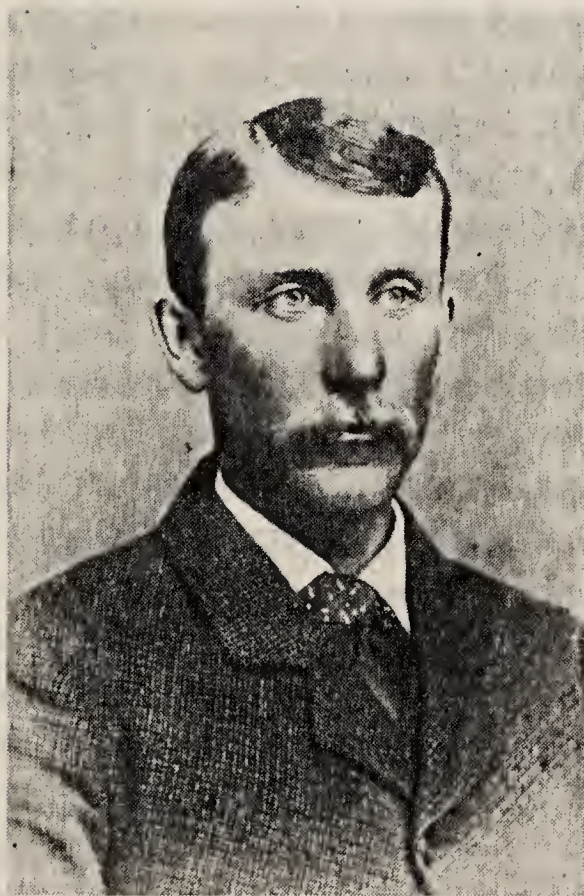
In a special ceremony, Mrs. J. Wayne Douglass will present the winner of the Juliette Low award. The honor is awarded annually to the Oskaloosa woman who, "freely, generously and voluntarily renders outstanding community service." The recipient is selected by an anonymous committee chosen by the council community award member.

Former Award Winners

The winner should not be a member of the local council and her service should be largely with young people. Past winners are: 1940, Mrs. M. D. Taylor; 1941, Mrs. Leroy Corlett; 1942, Mrs. Irving Johnson; 1943, Mrs. Edgar Knight; 1944, Mrs. W. S. Utterback; 1945, Mrs. Harry Phinney and Miss Zola Kramme; 1946, Miss Elizabeth Michener; 1947, Miss Vida Wood; 1948, Mrs. C. D. Jones; 1949, Mrs. W. C. Howell; 1950, Mrs. Bill Bernstein; 1951, Mrs. Karl Campbell, and 1952, Miss Clara Sheriff.

The program will be completed with special music by the troops and an address by Rev. J. Riley West. The committee in charge is made up of Mrs. Orrin Willey,

chairman, Mrs. Harold Whitaker, Mrs. Fred Schlunz, Mrs. Lyle Kirkpatrick and Mrs. Don Sweitzer. The meeting is open to all parents and friends of the Girl Scouts in Oskaloosa.



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especially natural history, agriculture and literature. As a young man he taught the district school, but his greatest work in education was done in later years in training his own children in a knowledge of nature. Once he went west to Nebraska and to Wyoming to find a location and his fortune, but soon returned to his native state and county. December 17, 1883, he married dark-eyed, sweet-tempered Mary L. Hall and established their home at McGregor, Iowa. Here were born to them a daughter, Mattie Mancile, who died in infancy, and two sons, Alfred Hale and Cyrus Raymond. Frank was engaged in the stock and grain business. It prospered, but his wife faded and died of tuberculosis. The following year he married Lillian Birdsay, a trained nurse, and skilled seamstress of McGregor. When his father retired to live in Elkader, Iowa, Frank moved onto the home place. Here he lived for many years. Besides being a successful farmer, raising prize fruits and stock, he also was a writer and poet. For twenty-five years he was the Farmersburg correspondent and columnist for *The North Iowa Times*. His writings were witty and sage.

December 14, 1913, a lamp exploded in the hands of his wife. Frank and his son Donald fought the fire valiantly, but the house was damaged, the men burned severely, and the wife and mother dead. Shortly thereafter his son Hale moved onto the old Corlett farm and Frank bought another place a bit farther South in the county. He reared his seven young children, farmed,

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wrote, carried on an insurance business, and as always, was interested in civic affairs.

Slender, deliberate of movement, Frank was the dandy of the family. He made a success of everything he undertook. He traveled far in Clayton County.

V C 332 ALFRED HALE CORLETT, son of Frank John and Mary L.

Born July 22, 1887.

Married January 11, 1911, Emma A. Kaiser (Dec. 25, 1884), daughter of J. G. and Mary Weigman Kaiser of Garnavillo, Iowa.

Children:

1. Earl John, born August 12, 1912.
2. Robert Kaiser, born September 28, 1915.
3. Hale Hall, born April 18, 1917.
4. Mary Kathryn, born December 18, 1918.

Alfred Hale attended the district schools and studied agriculture at Iowa State College at Ames, Iowa. He followed in his father's footsteps. First he cultivated the old Corlett Farm very successfully. After he sold it to Will Oelke, he built a beautiful home for his family on his new farm. His recreation is fishing. Present address, Farmersburg, Iowa.

VI C 3321 EARL JOHN CORLETT, son of Alfred Hale and Emma.

Born August 12, 1912.

Married June 3, 1939, Irene Kishman (Jan. 7, 1913), daughter of George and Christine Kishman.

Children:

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1. Carmen Kathryn, born May 26, 1940.
2. Wayne George, born February 13, 1945.
3. Lowell Robert, born April 30, 1949.

Earl John, a graduate of Farmersburg High School, began his business career in a grain elevator at Farmersburg, Iowa. Then he became a farmer near Castalia, Iowa. His recreations are hunting and fishing. He also manages a baseball team. Present address in Castalia, Iowa.

VI C 3322 ROBERT KAISER CORLETT, son of Alfred Hale and Emma.

Born September 28, 1915.

Married June 14, 1941, Dorothy Knudson (Sept. 1, 1918), oldest daughter of Hanford and Alice Knudson.

Children:

1. Susan Kay, born June 13, 1942.
2. Gail, born August 8, 1944.

Robert Kaiser graduated from the Farmersburg High School. When he married, his father divided his house into a big duplex, and he occupied one part.

He and his brother Hale Hall are partners in working the farm.

VI C 3323 HALE HALL CORLETT, son of Alfred Hale and Emma.

Born April 18, 1917.

Married September 17, 1949, Marjorie Nell Knudson, daughter of Hanford and Alice Knudson of St. Olaf, Iowa.

Hale Hall attended the local schools. Early in 1941

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he enlisted in the Army and served during World War II for three years in the Pacific area as Corporal of Company B, 557th Signal Corps, A.W.Bu. After his honorable discharge, he formed a partnership with his brother Robert to work the home farm.

VI C 3324 MARY KATHRYN CORLETT, daughter of Alfred Hale and Emma.

Born December 18, 1918.

Married April 25, 1942, Martin E. Kacena.

Children:

1. Carolyn Ann, born January 25, 1944.

2. Barbara Jean, born July 1, 1947.

Mary Kathryn graduated from Farmersburg High School in 1936. After completing a commercial course at college, she was bookkeeper for one year at the County Farm Bureau and for five years at Cedar Rapids, Iowa. After her marriage she devoted herself to her home and family.

V C 333 CYRUS RAYMOND CORLETT, son of Frank John and Mary L.

Born January 19, 1890.

Married June 16, 1915, Ella Marie Sass (1894-), daughter of William Sass of McGregor, Iowa.

Children:

1. Arno Herbert, born September 9, 1916.

2. Howard Basil, born December 23, 1917.

3. Glen Hall, born October 5, 1920.

Cyrus Raymond attended the local schools. During his life he engaged in a number of related occupations all requiring skill and physical strength in the out of

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doors. Present address, Guttenberg, Iowa.

- VI C 3331 ARNO HERBERT CORLETT, son of Cyrus Raymond and Ella Marie.

Born September 9, 1916.

Married June 23, 1939, Agnes Weller, daughter of Elmer and Edith Moody Weller of McGregor, Iowa.

Children: One adopted son.

Arno Herbert, tall and handsome, graduated from the McGregor High School. For some time he was employed by the Widman Printing Company. During World War II he served as Lieutenant in the Army of the United States in the European Theatre. After his discharge he became bookkeeper for the Schroeder Construction Company of McGregor, Iowa. Present address, McGregor, Iowa.

- VI C 3332 HOWARD BASIL CORLETT, son of Cyrus Raymond and Ella Marie.

Born December 23, 1917.

Married September 20, 1947, Laura Mary Vohs of Fairbault, Minn.

Children:

1. Allan, born December 22, 1948.

Howard Basil graduated from the McGregor High School. Thereafter he worked for the Widman Printing Company. Present address: Madison, Wis.

- VI C 3333 GLEN HALL CORLETT, son of Cyrus Raymond and Ella Marie.

Born October 5, 1920.

He attended the McGregor schools. During World

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War II he served in the Army of the United States in the Pacific theatre of operations for two years. After his honorable discharge he worked on the Government Dams and Locks at Guttenberg, Iowa. Present address: Guttenberg, Iowa.

V C 334 MARY LILLIAN CORLETT, daughter of Frank John and Lillian.

Born September 16, 1896.

Married, 1925, Rosco D. Leas, M.D.

Children:

1. Marianne, born February 22, 1928,
Married Aug. 19, 1950, Anthony Lee Wolfe.
2. Martha, born April 4, 1931.

Mary Lillian graduated from Farmersburg High School and completed her nurse's training at the State University of Iowa in 1921. She practiced her profession four years before marrying Doctor Rosco D. Leas. Present address is 17803 Ternway Road, Shaker Heights, Cleveland, Ohio.

V C 335 DONALD DEXTER CORLETT, son of Frank John and Lillian.

Born November 18, 1897.

Married (1) June 2, 1920, Eleanor Foster (1903-).

(2) April 28, 1949, Virginia Dwyer, daughter of Gerald and Crystal Dwyer of Seattle, Washington.

Children:

1. Donald Robert, born January 28, 1922,
Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

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2. James Birdsey, born September 7, 1924,
Iowa City, Iowa.
3. Richard Foster, born June 1, 1928,
Seattle, Wash.
4. Donna Daphne, born August 5, 1932,
Seattle, Wash.

Donald Dexter was reared on the Corlett farm and educated in the schools of Farmersburg, Iowa. When World War I began he enlisted in the Army of the United States and entered France with the Rainbow Division, 168th Infantry, A.E.F. For excellence of service he became a Corporal. Severely wounded in the arm at Chateau Thierry, he was invalided home and finally honorably discharged. He received the Purple Heart and the Crois de Guerre. After the war Donald entered Cornell College from which institution he received an A.B. degree. In 1926 he received the degree of Doctor of Medicine from the University of Iowa. His internship was served in the Seattle General Hospital, Seattle, Washington. After one year in the office of Dr. Peacock, as assistant, he opened his own office as a specialist in Urology and became a noted surgeon.

In 1943 Donald re-entered the Army of the United States with the rank of Captain. He was Group Flight Surgeon for the 13th Air Force Rescue Squadron. While serving in the Pacific Area, Australia, New Guinea, Moratai, and the Philippines, he was credited with eight hundred rescues. He rose to Lt. Colonel in Army Air Corps, and received the Air Medal with

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four Oak Leaf Clusters, the Distinguished Flying Cross, the Silver Star, and the Bronze Star.

After World War II ended, Donald resumed his practice of medicine in Seattle.

He is at present a Fellow of the American Medical Association and of the International College of Surgeons, a Mason and a Shriner. His present address is 5026 East 78th, Seattle, Washington.

VI C 3351 DONALD ROBERT CORLETT, son of Donald Dexter and Eleanor.

Born January 28, 1922, Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

Married December, 1942, Laurene Greenfield, daughter of Commander Greenfield of the Merchant Marine, Seattle, Washington.

Children:

1. Catherine Ellen, born January 16, 1945.

2. John Greenfield, born January, 1948.

In 1942 Donald Robert received a B.S. degree in Pharmacy from the University of Washington. 1944 he was commissioned Second Lieutenant in the Armored Corps at Fort Knox and went to France in command of a Sherman Tank Company. Wounded by a sniper at Steinfeldt, Germany, he received treatment in France and England. He recovered and was put in charge of the Supply office of Information and Education, in London. May, 1946, he returned to the United States. He immediately resumed his profession after his discharge. He was one of fifty men selected to enter the new medical school at the University of Washing-

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ton, September, 1946. June 10, 1950, he received the Doctor of Medicine Degree. He served his internship at the Marine Hospital, Seattle, Washington.

Among his decorations is the Purple Heart. Besides the services to his country, Donald Robert is an accomplished cornet player.

VI C 3352 JAMES BIRDSEY CORLETT, son of Donald Dexter and Eleanor.

Born September 7, 1924, Iowa City, Iowa.

Married April 14, 1945, Janet Ingstad (1924-), daughter of L. M. Ingstad of Boston, Mass.

Children:

1. Jenifer, born March, 1950, Seattle, Washington.

James Birdsey was educated in the public schools of Seattle. In December, 1945, he was commissioned Ensign in the U. S. Navy Air Corps and flew a TBM in the famous 8th Bombardment Squadron until the end of the war. Then he was a test pilot for the Navy at Patusant Air Base in Vermont. After his discharge he returned to the University of Washington from which he received the degree of Forester in June, 1949. Thereafter he served in the Soil Conservation Depot of Washington. In 1950 he re-entered active service in the Navy as a TBM Bombardment Pilot.

James is a quiet gentleman who loves the wide spaces and the silent eloquence of nature. He plays an electric Hawaiian guitar.

VI C 3353 RICHARD FOSTER CORLETT, son of Donald Dexter and Eleanor.

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Born June 1, 1928, Seattle, Washington.

Married Sept. 8, 1950, Shirley Bourne.

He was educated in the Seattle Public Schools. When World War II interrupted his studies, he joined the United States Marine Corps, July, 1946, and was stationed at San Diego, San Francisco, and Bremerton. After twenty-one months of service he was discharged as Private First Class. He became an expert in automatic weapons and in the pistol and carbine. He was a sharp shooter and an expert rifleman. At the present writing he is studying chemical engineering at the University of Washington. September 8, 1950 he married Shirley Bourne of Bellingham, Washington.

Richard Foster was the athlete of the family. Moreover, he was the most talented of a musical family, having outstanding ability as a pianist.

VI C 3354 DONNA DAPHNE CORLETT, daughter of Donald Dexter and Eleanor.

Born August 7, 1932, Seattle, Washington.

She was educated in the Seattle Schools where she was a prominent member of the Student Body, having served as Student Body Treasurer and President. She played the Clarinet and was President of the Band. June, 1950, she graduated from Roosevelt High School with honors. She entered the University of Washington Sept., 1950. June 9, 1951 she married Reginald —.

V C 336 ELTON FRANCIS CORLETT, son of Frank John and Lillian.

Born May 25, 1899.

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Married February 28, 1924, Katherine Hoeness.

Children:

1. Ruth Marion, born June 10, 1927.
2. Roy Elton, born July 31, 1929.
3. Carol Ann, born 1935.

Elton Francis was educated in the schools of Farmersburg, Iowa and Iowa State College, Ames, Iowa, where he was a member of R.O.T.C. He saw active service in World War I. His present address is R.F.D. Box 359, Springfield, Mo.

V C 337 JOHN EVERETT CORLETT, son of Frank John and Lillian.

Born December 21, 1901.

Married 1926, Azalia Rubendall.

Children:

1. Norma Jean, born December 26, 1926.
2. Frances Darlene, born January, 1928.
3. Ivanelle, born April, 1931.
4. Marilyn Mae, born 1932.
5. John Everett, Jr., born November 14, 1933.
6. Jean, born 1935.
7. May, born 1941.

John Everett, tall, heavy, dark-eyed, handsome, is an authority and successful dealer in antiques. His present address is McGregor, Iowa.

V C 338 HELEN VERA CORLETT, daughter of Frank John and Lillian.

Born May 16, 1903.

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Married July 30, 1927, John Leslie Moody (1900-), son of John and Laura Moody.

Children:

1. Lavern, born July 16, 1930.

John Leslie Moody was born in Wisconsin and spent his youth in Rockford, Ill. By the time he had finished high school, World War I was in progress. Failing because of his age to enter the Navy as he desired, he became an apprentice machinist in a war plant, and later worked in the engineering department. Here he helped in designing a tool to shape wooden airplane propellers for the Air Forces. On his eighteenth birthday he received his Draft registration card, but the conflict ended before he could be called into active service.

In 1919 John Leslie entered Cornell College. He was a member of the Men's Glee Club, and its business manager one year; and played on the tennis and basketball teams. At the same time he did extension work in Mechanical and Electrical Engineering. Then he sought practical experience in tool making and machine design. July 30, 1927 he married Helen Vera Corlett in the Cornell College Chapel.

1929 he joined the engineering staff of Marchant. He worked under the direction of David Sunstrand, noted inventor of the adding machine, and later in the patent department. He became a professional engineer in Mechanics. 1934, John Leslie entered the employ of the Friden Calculating Machine Co., Inc.,

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at San Leandro, California, in the research department. His first major design assignment and one of which he was most proud, was the ten-key model S Multiplier unit. He also designed the Friden electric motor. So many are the other instruments to whose manufacture he contributed that we cannot name them all here.

John L. Moody was a member of the Scottish Rite Masonry and the Shriners, as well as of the Society of Professional Engineers of California and of the National Society of Professional Engineers. He was interested in color photography as a hobby, played a good game of golf and enjoyed bowling. In fact he had quite a collection of medals and trophies won in tournaments. Quiet, gentle, efficient, he was admired, respected and loved by his associates.

Helen Vera kept house for her father and younger brothers and sister after her mother's death. She graduated from the Farmersburg High School. In 1925 she received an A.B. degree from Cornell College. 1925-27 she taught home economics in Toledo, Iowa. 1927-29 after her marriage in midsummer of 1927, she taught at Winnebago, Ill. Then she and her husband moved to Oakland, Calif.; their son was born; and Helen devoted all her time to making a beautiful home for her family. She joined the Parents and Teachers Association and became a very efficient liaison officer in the Oakland Council. 1942-45 she entered the Oakland School System as a special adult teacher of Nutrition. From 1945 to the present she has been on full time

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with the title Home Teacher. That means she visits students' homes, coordinates the work of P.T.A., Community Council, Youth Groups, etc., and teaches adult classes as requested.

Helen belongs to Daughters of the Nile and many professional organizations. She also finds time to do graduate work at the University of California at Berkeley, Calif. A slender blond, quick in thought and action, kind and understanding, Helen Vera is much beloved by those who have the good fortune to know her.

The present address of John L. and Helen Moody is 6568 Simson Street, Oakland 3, California.

VI C 3381 LAVERN MOODY, son of John Leslie and Helen Vera.

Born July 16, 1930, Oakland, California.

He was educated in the Oakland Schools. In 1946 he graduated from high school and entered the University of California at Berkley. July 24, 1947 he became a Corporal in the Marine Reserve. By taking training in the Marine Officers School at Quantico each summer he expected to graduate as a Lieutenant in 1951; he became a skilled rifleman and won many medals for marksmanship. 1949-50 he served on the rifle team of the University of Calif. However, in the summer of 1950 he was sent to the Korean Front with the Armed Forces of the United States.

Lavern was a Boy Scout for ten years. In high school he was an outstanding student and won the Army award for citizenship. He belonged to many church

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and school organizations. At present (1951) he is Sergeant in United States Marine Reserve Corps V.M.F. (N) 542, U.S.M.C.R.

V C 339 RALPH LEIGH CORLETT, son of Frank John and Lillian.

Born September 16, 1905.

Married 1925, Ruby Entwisle of Monona, Iowa.

Children:

1. Lillian Mae, born January 6, 1926.

2. Shirley Jean, born December 26, 1926.

3. Ralph, born June 1928.

4. Charles, born 1937.

Ralph Leigh received a public school education in Farmersburg, Iowa. After farming in Clayton County, Iowa, he moved to Oklahoma. Here he operated a large produce market.

VI C 3391 LILLIAN MAE CORLETT, daughter of Ralph Leigh and Ruby.

Born January 6, 1926.

Married December 3, 1945, Robert Heaton.

Children: a son born May, 1948.

VI C 3392 SHIRLEY JEAN CORLETT, daughter of Ralph Leigh and Ruby.

Born December 26, 1926.

Married June 28, 1946, Merle Freeman.

Children:

1. Clifford Allen, born February 3, 1947.

Present address, McGregor, Iowa.

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V C 3310 JAMES EUGENE CORLETT, son of Frank John and Lillian.

Born August 20, 1907.

Married (1) June 17, 1933, Mildred McMillan of Tampico, Ill. Divorced 1935 (2) 1940, Mary.

Children:

1. Gale.

2. James B., born February 15, 1941.

3. Robert B., born June 12, 1942.

James Eugene graduated from Farmersburg High School. 1929, he received an A.B. degree from Cornell College. Thereafter he worked for Swift and Company and for Wilson Company, becoming District Manager of the former. At length he bought a half interest in the Texas Dairy and Produce Company of which he became president and general manager. He is a man of charming personality as well as of keen business ability. His address is Childress, Texas.

V C 3311 FRANCES CATHERINE CORLETT, daughter of Frank John and Lillian.

Born June 26, 1912.

Married June 3, 1934, Lynn Hastings Beard (1907-).

Children:

1. Bonnie Lynne, born July 15, 1935.

2. Judith Karen, born June 17, 1937.

3. Leroy Corlett, born September 30, 1938.

4. David Daniel, born January 23, 1944.

Lynn Hastings Beard was born June 7, 1907, at Headrick, Oklahoma. 1926 he graduated from Snyder

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(Okla.) High School. 1930 he graduated Cum Laude from Oklahoma A. and M. at Stillwater, Oklahoma. He received the B.S. degree in Animal Husbandry. 1933, he received M.S. degree from Iowa State College at Ames, in Animal Husbandry and Veterinary Medicine. He was a charter member of the Farm House Fraternity at Oklahoma A. and M. For some time he successfully conducted a business as Real Estate and Insurance Broker.

Frances Catherine Corlett was born and reared on her father's farm in Clayton County, Iowa. In 1930 she graduated from the Farmersburg High School. 1930-33, she attended Iowa State College at Ames, Iowa. After her father's death in the spring of 1931, she made her home with her uncle, Leroy E. Corlett, in Oskaloosa, Iowa. From June, 1933, till June, 1934, she was in the employ of the Des Moines Gas and Electric Company. June 3, 1934, she married Lynn Hastings Beard in a beautiful wedding ceremony at the home of L. E. Corlett, Oskaloosa, Iowa. Lynn and Frances made their home in Tulsa, Oklahoma, where their four children were born. They were both active in civic affairs, taught Sunday School classes, served on committees of the church and the city and the P.T.A. Frances's chief concern was her home and children. To be a successful wife and mother is the greatest achievement of womanhood. One of their recreations was square dancing.

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Present address is 2530 East 16th Street, Tulsa 4, Oklahoma.

IV C 34 JAMES EMORY CORLETT, son of John Edward and Catherine Amanda.

Born March 14, 1858, Clayton County, Iowa.

Died June 29, 1928, Seattle, Washington.

Married February 23, 1886, Estella V. Garber (1861-1923), daughter of Martin A. Garber of Elkport, Iowa.

Children: Ruth Catherine, born November 12, 1888.

James Emory was born and reared on the Corlett homestead where, like his brothers he shared in the work of a pioneer's farm. Even when seven years old he drove an ox team like a man. He attended the district school, but money for a higher education was hard to find. Therefore, James set about earning his own way. Three times his health broke under the strain, but his will power was too strong to let his body give up, although he was never robust thereafter. He attended school at Fayette and at the University of Iowa. In 1877 he began to read law in the office of Samuel Murdock and John Larkin at Elkader and of Judge Garber of Garber, Iowa. At the same time he taught school.

In 1882 he was admitted to the bar on motion, and became a member of the law firm Barber and Corlett. In 1884 he was elected Clerk of the District Court of Clayton County, Iowa, at Elkader, which office he held for six years, (1885-1890). In 1886 he married the daughter of his former law partner, Estella V.



JAMES EMERY CORLETT

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Garber. When his office of Clerk of Courts expired, he opened a law office in Elkader in 1891. Here, Jim built up a very large law practice. Because of his fearless adherence to truth and justice mixed with a gentleness of manner and understanding, he enjoyed the confidence of a very large circle of friends and clients. Moreover he exerted a powerful influence in the political as well as the legal circles of his county and state. He was known as a "square shooter" always.

Very early in his law practice in Elkader the Chicago, Milwaukee, and St. Paul Railroad Company retained him to guard their legal interests locally. In 1908 at their request, James moved his family to Seattle, Washington, whither the Railroad Company was extending its lines. Here he also became interested in mining, lumbering, and the maintenance of a loan company. For a time he also owned a small railroad operating out of Chehallis, Washington.

A most severe blow struck him in the death of his wife, Estella, in 1923. She was a woman of keen understanding and sympathy, a good wife and mother and a most gracious hostess.

Jim¹ and Stell were very much beloved. After her passing, James made his home with his daughter, but the zest of living was gone. Three years later he retired from business and law due to failing health. He passed away the afternoon of June 29, 1928. He and his wife are buried in Washelli Cemetery, Seattle, Washington.

1. Because of his professional bearing, his friends called him, "Judge".

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James E. Corlett was a member of the Masonic Order, F.&A.M., K. of T., A.&A.S.R., Kahie Temple Shrine of Cedar Rapids, Iowa. He also belonged to the Seattle Lodge No. 92 of B.P.O.E. and to the County, State, and American Bar Associations.

V C 341 RUTH CATHERINE CORLETT, daughter of James Emory and Estella V.

Born November 12, 1888, Elkader, Iowa.

Married September 25, 1915, William Earl Waldo (1886-).

Children:

1. William James, born February 14, 1918.
2. Burton Corlett, born August 11, 1920.
3. Robert Graber, born December 24, 1922.

Ruth Catherine graduated in 1905 from the Elkader High School and in 1908 from Terry Hall, Lake Forest, Illinois. 1910, she sailed with a group of young people, including her cousin, Marion Hallett, to the Orient to visit Japan. 1913, she received the A.B. degree from the State University of Washington. 1913-14, she taught school in Mt. Horne, Idaho. In 1914 she toured Europe, was caught in the outbreak of World War I, and arrested by the Germans for a Russian spy (Ruth was short, dark with heavy brows). The American Ambassador secured her release and started her homeward.

September 25, 1915, she married William Earl Waldo, D.O.

As the wife of a very successful Osteopathic Physi-

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cian and Surgeon who did much to raise the standards of his profession, and who maintained a private hospital and sanitorium, Ruth had a very happy life, free from the many sorrows that often befall others. She managed her household efficiently. She and the Doctor were socially prominent in Seattle. Ruth belonged to P.E.O., Delta Delta Delta Sorority, the D.A.R., the Congregational Church. She was an enthusiastic worker in the P.T.A. and community chest. During the war she worked with Interceptor Command Unit.

The present address of Dr. and Mrs. William E. Waldo is, 1017 Minor Avenue, Seattle, Washington.

VI C 3411 WILLIAM JAMES WALDO, son of William E. and Ruth Catherine.

Born February 14, 1918.

Married February 16, 1944, Ruth Ellen Frazier.

(1921-).

Children: William Frazier born June 9, 1948.

William James was a graduate of the Seattle public schools and high school and received the A.B. degree from the State University of Washington. Thereafter he entered the employ of the National Bank of Commerce, Seattle, Wash. In 1940 he was drafted for service in the armed forces of the United States. Throughout World War II he served in the Finance Department of the Army Air Corps. He was Technical Sergeant, S.A.E. When he was discharged from the Army, he returned to his former position in the bank. His present address is Seattle, Washington.

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- VI C 3412 BURTON CORLETT WALDO, son of William E. and Ruth Catherine.

Born August 11, 1920.

Married August 24, 1946, Margaret Hoar (1920-).

Children: James Chandler, born October 23, 1949.

Burton Corlett was educated in the public schools of Seattle. In 1942 he received his degree in law from the State University of Washington. During World War II he was a lieutenant in the Army Transportation Corps in the European Theatre. He was admitted to the Bar in the State of Washington in 1948 and has been practicing law in Seattle since.

- VI C 3413 ROBERT GARBER WALDO, son of William E. and Ruth Catherine.

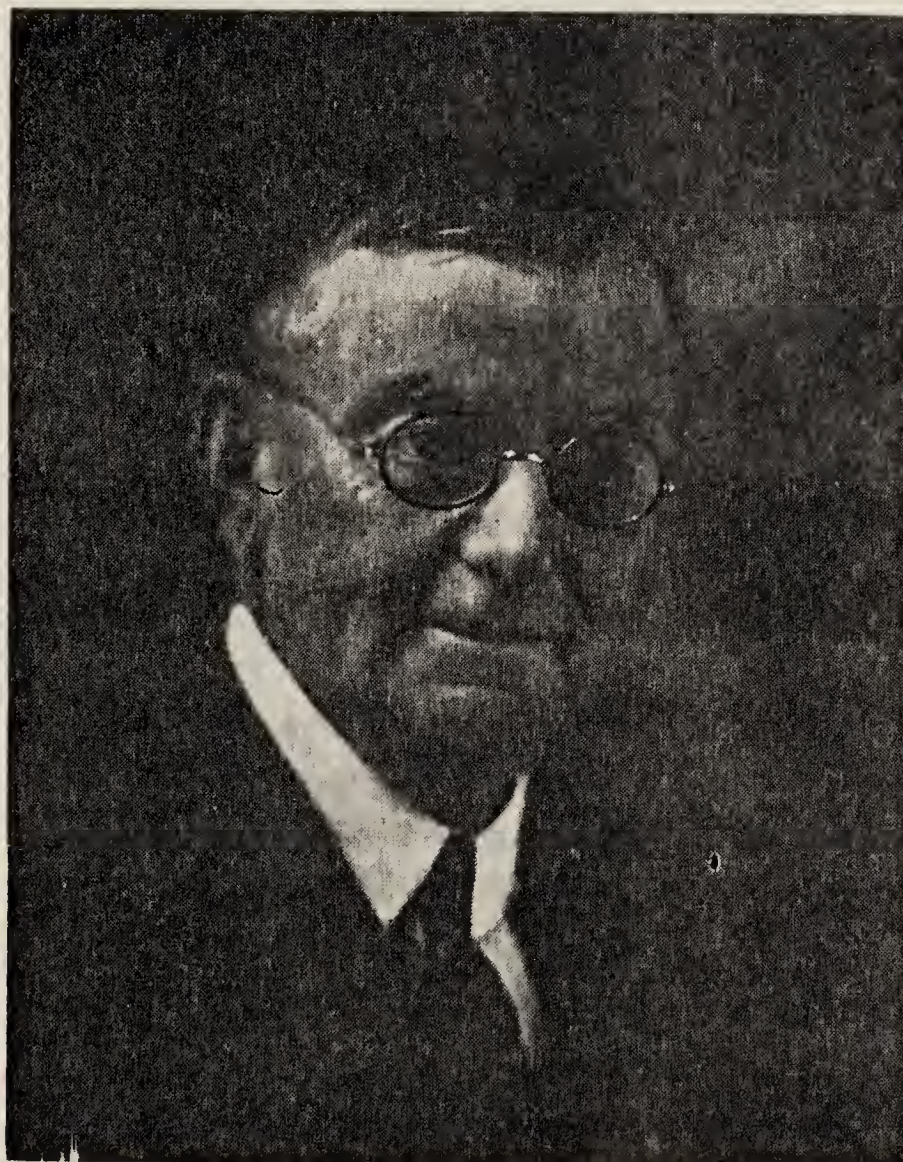
Born December 24, 1922.

He attended the public schools of Seattle. 1943-47, he was First Lieutenant in the Quartermaster Corps of the Army of the United States. 1947, he received the A.B. degree in Economics and Business Administration from the State University of Washington. 1947-48 he was Assistant Councilor for Students in the office of student affairs of his Alma Mater. 1948, he became Assistant-General Secretary of the Sigma Nu Fraternity with an office in Indianapolis, Indiana.

- IV C 36 WILLARD BEST CORLETT, son of John Edward and Catherine Amanda.

Born November 23, 1861, Farmersburg, Iowa.

Married December 3, 1885, Idella Carty (1862-1938), Elkader, Iowa.



WILLARD BEST CORLETT

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Children:

1. Willard Irving, born August 17, 1887.
2. Florence Jeannette, born June 29, 1889.
3. Ross Harold, born March 17, 1891.
4. Mattie Ruth, born September 13, 1899.

Willard Best was born and reared on the Corlett Farm in Farmersburg Township, Clayton County, Iowa. He was educated in the Farmersburg schools. He also received expert training in farming from his father. In 1883 he bought a farm near his father's. The same year he became the youngest Master Mason in Iowa. In 1885 he married dark-eyed, black-haired Idella Carty of National, Iowa. He once revealed that on their nuptial morning he told her, "Those are my pants on the chair. Put them on now if you want to wear them."

"Thanks," said she, "I'll wear my own."

They lived together very happily for over fifty-three years. Three children were born to them on their Clayton County farm and one in Texas.

The tall tales of Texas appealed to Will. In 1893 he made his first trip to Henrietta to look around. The land looked good, but farming methods were poor. The next year, 1894, he sold his Iowa farm and moved his family south in January, 1895, to take advantage of the opportunities of the Lone Star State. He bought 355 acres located seven miles northwest of Henrietta for which he paid eight dollars an acre. Then began an agricultural revolution in Clay County. Will bought

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disc plows, harrows, some big mules, etc. He dug two wells to enable him to cool milk. His father sent him plum, apricot, and peach trees which he developed into a fine orchard. Sorghum and milo maize were also innovations. He prospered. Those who had scoffed became his disciples and adopted his methods.

In 1903 he was elected Commissioner of Clay County. 1905, he moved into Henrietta and opened a real estate office. In 1907 he was employed by the Texas Oil Company as head of its land department. After the first oil well came in at Petrola, he leased land rapidly, in fact ten times as much as anyone else. It paid. His leases later developed into important oil fields such as Electra, Burkburnett, Eastland, Ranger, etc. In 1912 he moved to Wichita Falls to continue scouting and leasing. His name became associated with all the early developments thereabouts. He retired in 1920. When his wife died in 1938 he closed his home and went to live with his daughter, Mattie Ruth.

The Wichita Daily Times, March 5, 1950, hailed W. B. Corlett as "a human Dynamo at 88". He was a 32 degree Mason and Shriner, in fact the oldest Mason in age and duration of membership in Wichita Falls. He was a member of the Grace Methodist Church, a fine Bible student, a leader in civic affairs, who lived straight in all his ways—a prince among men. He died September 23, 1952.

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- V C 361 WILLARD IRVING CORLETT, son of Willard Best and Idella.

Born August 17, 1887, Farmersburg, Iowa.

Died October 4, 1936, Wichita Falls, Texas.

Married September 10, 1909, Sibyl Evans of Henrietta, Texas.

Children:

Willard Irving Jr., born Sept. 2, 1910, died Feb. 8, 1938.

Willard Irving graduated from the Henrietta High School. He was employed by a bank in Henrietta as well as in the office of the tax assessor. He served in the armed forces during World War I. Thereafter, he worked in Dallas with the Amicable Oil Company. While in Pasadena, California on business he became ill and flew home in May, but died in October, 1936.

- VI C 3611 WILLARD IRVING CORLETT, JR., son of Willard Irving and Sibyl.

Born September 2, 1910, Henrietta, Texas.

Died February 8, 1938.

Willard Irving Jr., usually known as Bill, was educated in the public schools of Henrietta and the University of Missouri. Upon graduation he was employed in the advertising department of Vicks Corporation. Shortly thereafter he became very ill. After suffering for two years he died February 8, 1938.

- V C 362 FLORENCE JEANNETTE CORLETT, daughter of Willard Best and Idella.

Born June 29, 1889, Farmersburg, Iowa.

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Married July 18, 1912, Thomas C. Moss, Henrietta, Texas.

Children:

Marjory Ann, born January 1, 1920, Dallas, Texas.

Florence Jeannette, or Floy, as everyone called her, graduated from the Henrietta High School, attended Penn College, Oskaloosa, Iowa, and the North Texas Teachers College at Denton, Texas. For four years she taught in Elementary School of Henrietta. July 18, 1912, she married Thomas C. Moss who was associated with the General American Transportation Company. To them was born one child, Marjorie Ann, January 1, 1920. Floy devoted her life to good works in home and city, where she is much beloved.

Her present address is 6909 Robin Road, Dallas, Texas.

VI C 3621 MARJORIE ANN MOSS, daughter of Thomas C. and Florence Jeannette.

Born January 1, 1920, Dallas, Texas.

Married August 5, 1941, Lester Don Matter, Jr.

Children:

1. Thomas Randolph, born Nov., 1946.

Marjorie Ann was educated in the Dallas schools. 1941, she graduated from Randolph Macon College and married the same year.

V C 363 ROSS HAROLD CORLETT, son of Willard Best and Idella.

Born March 17, 1891, Farmersburg, Iowa.

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Married (1) November 3, 1916, Lillian Backman (1892-1936); (2) September 21, 1940, Elizabeth Light.
Children:

June, born June 16, 1920, died Dec. 9, 1926.

Ross, Harold Jr., born June 16, 1920.

Ross Harold graduated from the Henrietta High School and received his degree in engineering from Texas Agricultural and Mechanical Arts College at Bryan, Texas. Since then he has had an office in Wichita Falls and is working as a civil engineer in the oil fields in and around Wichita. Both his father and his son have desks in his office also.

His present address is 717 City National Bank Bldg., Wichita Falls, Texas.

VI C 3631 ROSS HAROLD CORLETT JR., son of Ross Harold and Lillian.

Born June 16, 1920, Wichita Falls, Texas.

Married 1946, Doris Rose Dobbs, Wichita Falls.

Children:

1. Carol Ann, born Feb. 22, 1947.

2. Cathy Margaret, born Feb. 28, 1950.

Ross, Jr., graduated from Wichita Falls High School. In 1941 he received a degree in civil engineering from Texas Agricultural and Mechanical Arts College. During World War II he was a Captain in the Signal Corps of the Army of the United States, and was a staff signal communications officer to General MacArthur. He has, since the war, worked with his father as a civil engineer.

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- V C 364 MATTIE RUTH CORLETT, daughter of Willard Best and Idella.

Born September 13, 1899, Henrietta, Texas.

Married October 26, 1925, James H. White.

Children: Betty June, born July 21, 1928.

Mattie Ruth graduated from the Wichita Falls High School and from the College of Industrial Arts at Denton, Texas. After her marriage to James H. White, who was interested in the development of oil, Mattie Ruth has devoted her time to making a happy home for her husband, her daughter and her father. Present address is 2021 Clarinda Avenue, Wichita Falls, Texas.

- VI C 3641 BETTY JUNE WHITE, daughter of James H. and Mattie Ruth.

Born July 21, 1928, Wichita Falls.

Betty June graduated from Wichita Falls High School, attended Mills College, Oakland, California, and is at present enrolled in the University of Texas

- IV C 37 AMY HELEN CORLETT, daughter of John Edward and Catherine Amanda.

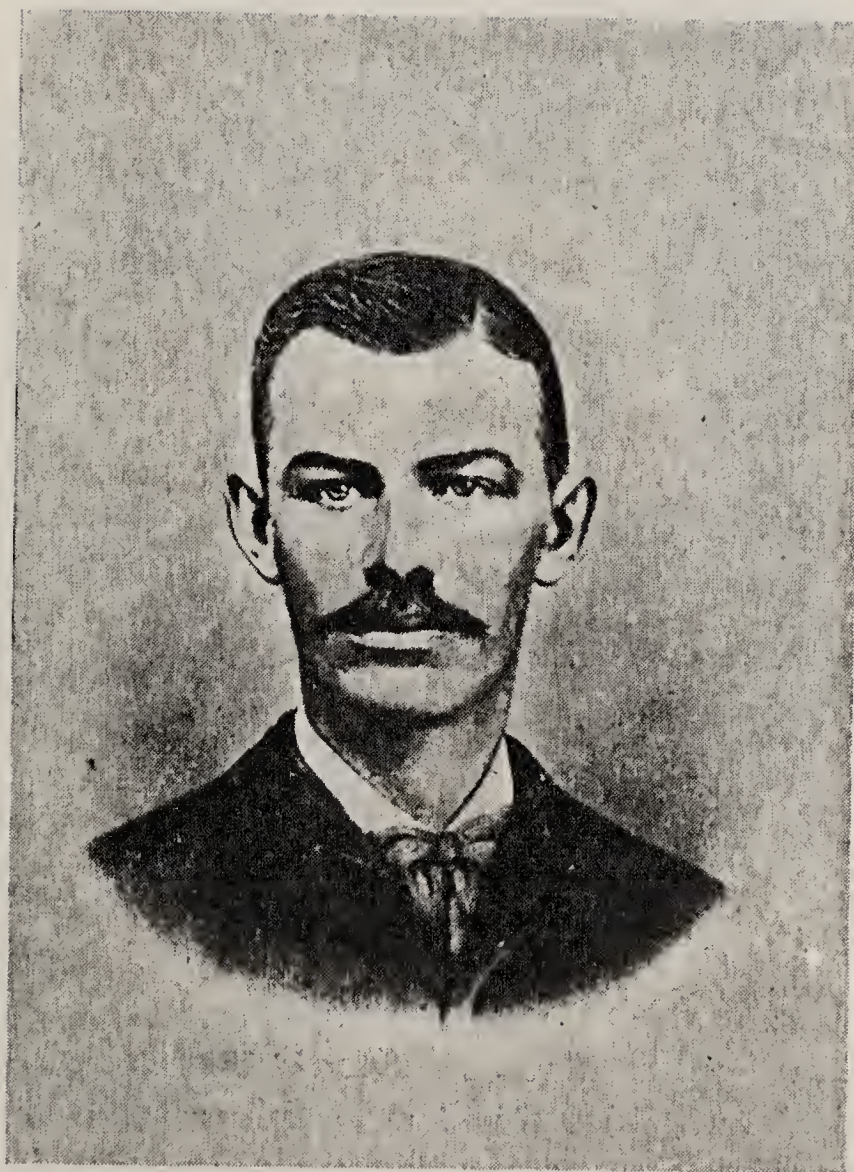
Born January 22, 1864, Clayton County, Iowa.

Died March 12, 1916, Ontario, California.

Married February 4, 1885, Henry C. Hamilton (1860-1943), son of Norman and Sarah Diana Ballou.

Hamilton.

Children:



SAMUEL DENTON CORLETT



AMEY HELEN CORLETT HAMILTON

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1. Elsie Catherine, born July 2, 1888.
2. Carroll Corlett, born April 4, 1891.
3. Roy Norman, born November 18, 1893.

Amy Helen, whom her father often called Mona, one of the most beloved names of the Manxmen, was born on the Corlett homestead in Farmersburg Township, Clayton County, Iowa. She attended the district school and the Wyoming High School. February 4, 1885, she married Henry C. Hamilton of National, Iowa.

Henry had been born and reared within a few miles of the Corlett home and, therefore, had known his bride all her life. He had worked on his father's farm and had taught the district school to secure money to buy a relinquishment on a quarter section of land three miles north of Rock Valley in Sioux County, Iowa. In three years he had succeeded in erecting a small house and a cluster of farm buildings, and in getting a goodly number of acres under cultivation. Hither he took Amy. Together they shared the rigors of pioneer life: the blizzards of winter, the hot winds of summer, cyclones, grasshoppers, and the fear of prairie fires.

John Corlett, Amy's father, sent the young couple considerable nursery stock from his own farm. Maples and evergreen formed a windbreak on the west and north and east of the house. Larches lined the driveway from the road to the house, while orchards of apples and plums to say nothing of berries, currants, gooseberries, and raspberries, grew in the shelter of

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the windbreak. This was the first place in Sioux County to have such plantings. Many a covered wagon on its way to the Dakotas, camped in its shelter. Today the trees are magnificent, and the farm is one of the show places of the town. Here, three children were born to Henry and Amy.

In 1899 when the youngest one was old enough to go to school, they rented the farm and moved to Nora Springs, Iowa, where schools were available. Henry bought and operated a grain and seed elevator. He became president of the First National Bank also. He took part in social and civic affairs. He was a trustee of the Congregational Church, a Master Mason, Councilman, and President of the School Board.

Amy Helen was equally active in public affairs. She took a leading part in the church, was Worthy Matron of O.E.S. Chapter, was a member of the Crescent Club (a study club), and for many years was Secretary of the Park Cemetery Association. She was one of the first promoters of a public library for the town.

Amy Helen was gifted with a lyric soprano voice, which, without training, had a longer range than the leading opera singer of the day. However, she had no opportunity to study music, or to realize her dream of thrilling audiences with her voice. She was quick, vivacious, companionable, and very popular with persons of all classes and ages. She was an excellent marksman and a good horsewoman, which abilities gave her much recreation on the prairie.

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By the time her children were all away at work or at college, and her husband had retired from the grain business, Amy's health broke. During the last two and a half years of her life she tried to satisfy a life-long urge for travel and adventure inherited from her father. In 1914 the family brought her to Ontario, California, to be with her son, Carroll, who had settled here. Here she enjoyed life as fully as constant pain would permit. Her last efforts were expended in planning a new house, into which the family moved two months before her death, March 12, 1916. She had given of her strength so generously to those she loved, that she had none left for herself. Greater love hath no man than this.

V C 371 ELSIE CATHERINE HAMILTON, daughter of Henry C. and Amy Helen.

Born July 2, 1888, Rock Valley, Sioux County, Iowa.

1907, graduated from the Nora Springs Seminary.

1911, received A.B. degree in languages from Grinnell College.

1929, received A.M. degree from the University of Southern California.

Elsie Catherine began her public service as Principle of the Griswold High School (Iowa). She also taught one year in the Osage High School (Iowa). When her mother became ill, she gave up her profession to care for her and the household. After her mother's death she continued to make a home for her father and brothers until all had married and gone. In the meanwhile, in 1919, she resumed teaching. For over thirty years

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she was a member of the faculty of Chaffey Union High School, Ontario, California.

Elsie Catherine enjoyed tramping and camping in the mountains, and traveling, especially throughout the United States, Canada, Mexico, and the countries of the Pacific basin. She belonged to Bethel Congregational Church, San Antonio Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution, the American Association of University Women, the Order of the Eastern Star, the Sierra Club, the Institute of American Genealogy, several professional organizations, and local clubs. She was executive secretary of Ontario Chapter, the American Red Cross for twelve years, and a member of the Board of Directors for seventeen more.

When her father became ill, she undertook the management of his business which included city property and fruit land. It was a liberal education in business and agriculture.

Her present address is 202 El Morado Court, Ontario, California.

V C 372 CARROLL CORLETT HAMILTON, son of Henry C. and Amy Helen.

Born April 4, 1891, Rock Valley, Sioux County, Iowa.
Died October 5, 1939, Alta Loma, California.

Married September 5, 1922, Josephine Louise Nichols (1900-), daughter of Lloyd Randolph and Margaret Nichols.

Children:

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1. Rex Cameron, born March 15, 1924.
2. Clayton Earl, born October 18, 1925.

Carroll Corlett was born on the prairie of western Iowa and was reared at Nora Springs, Iowa. In 1909 he graduated from the Nora Springs Seminary. In 1913 he received the A.B. degree in economics and political science from Grinnell College. During his college days he wrote insurance, and through the summer vacations drove a stagecoach for the Wylie Transportation Company in Yellowstone National Park. After graduation he went west. For a short time, in Idaho, he was in the employ of the Union Pacific Railroad, but eventually located in Ontario, California, where he cultivated eighty acres of peaches and raisin grapes for his father.

In 1915 when his father bought the agency for the Ford Motor Cars in Ontario, Carroll became associated with him and handled the Fordson Tractor. He also invented a cultivator especially adapted to California orchards of the time, and for several years manufactured and sold it.

In the spring of 1921 he and his father sold their automobile business, and Carroll bought one hundred and twenty acres of raw land near Alta Loma, California. The rest of his life was spent developing it into productive fruit land and in rearing a family.

Just as the land was coming into the best production and his boys were entering adolescence, Carroll was fatally injured in an automobile accident one morning

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while going from his ranch to his father's vineyard. After eight days suffering he passed away October 5, 1939.

Carroll Corlett was gifted with a beautiful baritone voice, an appreciation of, and a talent for artistic and literary expression, a pleasant wit, and an inventive genius. Shortly before his death he had devised a method of orchard heating which would cost very little and which would be devoid of all smoke and unpleasant fumes. Had he lived through the harvest, he would have had it perfected and patented.

In college Carroll was a member of Institute, of the Grinnell College Glee Club, and of the Band in which he played the clarinet. In later years he also played the saxophone, and spent leisure time singing, drawing, writing verse, hunting and fishing. He was a member of the Baptist Church, the Red Hill Country Club, B.P.O.E., and shared in several local enterprises for civic betterment.

VI C 3721 REX CAMERON HAMILTON, son of Carroll Corlett and Josephine Louise.

Born March 15, 1924, Alta Loma, California.

Married April 24, 1949, Maud Marie Moulton (1921-), daughter of John Everett and Marie Moulton.

Children:

1. Susan Margaret, born April 10, 1950, Los Angeles, California.

Rex Cameron graduated from Chaffey Union High

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School, Ontario, California in 1942. 1942-43 he studied at the State University of California at Berkeley. 1943-45 he assisted in operating the home ranch. 1945-49 he studied architecture at the University of Southern California and began his teaching career.

In 1949 he married Maud Moulton who had received the A.B. degree in Fine Arts from U.S.C. in 1945. She was a skilled silversmith.

Rex had marked ability in music and art. In high school he sang in the Glee Club, was an Eagle Scout, a member of the Honor Society, and of DeMoley, at the University he sang first tenor in the Glee Club and was a member of Alpha Rho Chi. He was also a member of F. A. M., R. A. M. and S. M., A. A. S. R., and of the Sierra Club.

VI C 3722 CLAYTON EARL HAMILTON, son of Carroll Corlett and Josephine Louise.

Born October 18, 1925, Alta Loma, California.

Married (1) January 26, 1947, Betty Josephine (1928-), daughter of Robert Burk and Ruby Mae Daniel Gay of Chawnee, Oklahoma.

(2) June 23, 1951, Beverly Doreen Warden.

Clayton Earl graduated in 1944 from Chaffey Union High School, Ontario, Calif., after seven semesters of study. 1944-46 he served in the Mortar Company of the Fifth of the Third Divisions of the United States Marines, in Hawaii, Pelelieu, and Japan. He was a first class rifleman and received the Presidential Unit Citation. Upon his discharge in 1946 he returned home to

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take charge of the ranch. He also studied agriculture at Chaffey College. 1949 he moved to Seattle, Washington, where he became interested in the fish industry. Later he worked for the Boeing Aircraft Corporation at Seattle, Wash.

Clayton found unusual enjoyment in the outdoors. When a boy of eight years of age, he saved money for a rifle so he could hunt small game on his father's ranch. He acquired real skill as a marksman. He also enjoyed fishing especially deep-sea fishing. Clayton was skillful in working with tools, at home under his father's direction, at school, and in the Marines. He was an Eagle Scout and in 1946-49 assistant Scout Master. He belonged to the DeMoley, Sierra Club, Future Farmers of America, and the 20-30 Club. His present address is Route 2, Box 551, Bellevue, Washington.

V C 373 ROY NORMAN HAMILTON, son of Henry C. and Amy Helen.

Born November 18, 1893, Rock Valley, Iowa.

Died February 20, 1934, Indianapolis, Indiana.

Married April 26, 1922, Rita Davees.

Roy Norman graduated from the Nora Springs Seminary (Iowa) in 1912. 1912-14, he attended Grinnell College. In October 1914, he came with his parents to Ontario, California, where he became interested in agriculture, especially in the cultivation of raisin grapes. At one time he had a thousand acres of beans. Interested in dehydrating fruits and vegetables, he did pio-

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neer work in that field. In 1918-1919 he served as Corporal in the Field Artillery of the Army of the United States. As he was transferring to officers training camp, the war ended. After his honorable discharge he returned to Ontario and Los Angeles where he engaged in real estate and insurance business.

Roy had a magnetic personality which gave him great influence over everyone he met. Physically strong and mentally alert, he enjoyed sports and outdoor life. He sang bass in the college glee club and in church choirs. He was a very strong and persuasive speaker. He also traveled extensively throughout the North American continent. He was a member of the Baptist Church, and B.P.O.E.

While sojourning in Indiana he met with a fatal accident and was instantly killed in the prime of life.

- IV C 38 ANNA JEANNETTE CORLETT, daughter of John Edward and Catherine Amanda
Born July 3, 1866, Clayton County, Iowa.
Married November 26, 1896, Julius Theodore Lange (1870-1942).

Anna Jeanette, commonly called Nette, attended the district school and later took teachers' training. She taught school several years in Clayton County. After the death of her brother Samuel in 1896 she returned home to help her parents on the farm. Two months later she married a neighbor, Julius T. Lange. For one year they ran the farm. Then Nette's father sold the place to his son, James, and he and his wife moved to



ANNA JEANETTE CORLETT LANG

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Elkader. Thereafter Nette and Julius bought a variety store at Ruthvan, Iowa. Some years later they sold out and bought a dry goods store at Rolfe, Iowa. For many years they lived here. Nette always took an active part in the business. In 1921 they sold the store and moved to St. Paul, Minnesota, where Julius became a salesman for the Maytag Company. Upon his death in 1932 Nette continued to reside in St. Paul where she had so many friends and acquaintances.

Jeannette was a small woman, very deliberate, and devoted to her church, the Methodist Episcopal. She had a real concern for the fortunes and misfortunes of all whom she knew. Although she was childless she was very proud of all her nieces and nephews and their children. The greatest service of her later years was to correspond with all of them and keep each family in touch with all of the others. She died January 24, 1952.

IV C 39 CYRUS COLFAX CORLETT, son of John Edward and Catherine Amanda.

Born October 29, 1868, Clayton County, Iowa.

Married October 1, 1893, Margaret Getz (1874—) of Grand Junction, Iowa. *Wed 9-7-53*

Children:

1. D. Alton Getz, born September 4, 1894.

2. Katherine Baker, born September 4, 1896.

Cyrus Colfax, born and reared on the Corlett Farm, attended school at Farmersburg, Iowa and at Dixon, Illinois.



CYRUS COLFAX CORLETT

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His wife Margaret Getz was a lively school teacher before her marriage and a real helpmate to Cy through the years following. Cyrus or Cy as he was commonly called, operated a creamery at McGregor, Iowa for ten years. In 1904 he moved his little family to a farm near Summers, Arkansas where they lived and worked for seven years. In 1910 he moved to Montana and operated a Dude Ranch at Clearwater in the Seeley Lake Country for the Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul Railroad. 1916 he ran a store and managed the hotel at Ovando, Montana. In 1918 he assumed management of the Palace Hotel at Drummond. Here he and his wife lived, worked, and enjoyed life in a frontier town for twelve years. The next decade Cy moved frequently. There was a year on an Ignatius farm, a year at Coos Bay, some time on the Flathead Indian Reservation. He improved and sold land during those years. In 1942 he became manager of a 956-acre cattle ranch at Belgrade, Montana, where he raised polled Herfords.

Cyrus Colfax is the typical frontiersman who enjoys the wide spaces, the sweep of prairie and hills, a good horse, and comradeship. He is generous to a fault. Past eighty years of age he is said to be the oldest salaried man in an executive position in the State of Montana.

His present address is Belgrade, Montana.

V C 391 D. ALTON GETZ CORLETT, son of Cyrus Colfax and Margaret.

Born September 4, 1894, at McGregor, Iowa.

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Married August 9, 1917, May Campbell of David City, Nebraska.

Children:

1. Cy Campbell, born August 18, 1918.
2. Margaret Lillian, born December 30, 1919.

D. Alton Getz was educated in the district schools where the family resided and spent two years at the College of Montana, Deerlodge, Montana. Shortly before entering the Armed Forces of the United States he married at Portland, Oregon, in 1917 May Campbell. 1918-19 D. Alton was sergeant in the Motor Corps stationed at Camp Dodge, Des Moines, Iowa. Upon his Honorable discharge he returned to Drummond where he bought and sold stock. 1920 he opened a grocery and meat store which he operated successfully until he sold it in 1946 and returned to the stock business.

His present address is Drummond, Montana.

VI C 3911 CY CAMPBELL CORLETT, son of D. Alton Getz and May.

Born August 18, 1918.

Married 1945, Esther Larson of Golden Valley, North Dakota.

Children:

1. Cy Curtis, born May 26, 1947.

Cy Campbell played basketball in high school, which won him acclaim at the time but also may have contributed to weakening his heart. Therefore he was not accepted in the Service during World War II. In 1938

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he graduated in secretarial work from Montana State Agricultural College at Bozeman. He is now working a ranch at Drummond, Montana.

VI C 3912 MARGARET LILLIAN CORLETT, daughter of D. Alton and May.

Born December 30, 1919.

Married 1945, William Woolstan.

Children:

1. William D., born November 11, 1946.

Margaret Lillian graduated from Montana State Agricultural College in 1940. 1942 she joined the Woman's Army Auxiliary Corps and served till the end of the World War II. Since then she had been busy being a good wife and mother.

V C 392 KATHERINE BAKER CORLETT, daughter of Cyrus Colfax and Margaret.

Born September 4, 1896 at McGregor, Iowa.

Married July 8, 1918, Bernard John Heetderks, M.D

Children:

1. Margaret Ann, born August 5, 1923.
2. Bernard John Jr., born April 30, 1926.
3. Albert D., born July 2, 1928.

Katherine Baker, the vivacious belle of the frontier, was a good horsewoman and an excellent shot. As the wife of a physician, she maintained a well-ordered household, was a real helpmate to her husband, a good mother, a charming hostess, and a woman of good works in the community. She was much beloved by those who knew her.

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Her present address is 426 West Cleveland Street,
Bozeman, Montana.

- VI C 3921 MARGARET ANN HEETDERKS, daughter of Bernard John and Katherine Baker.

Born August 5, 1923.

Married July 10, 1946, John W. Snyder.

Margaret Ann graduated from the Bozeman High School, spent two years at Montana State College, and four years at the University of Minnesota. She received B. S. degree in public health Nursing in 1947. Her husband John W. Snyder is interested in sociology, theology and kindred fields. He is enrolled in the State University of Minnesota.

Their present address is 5115 Bloomington Avenue,
Minneapolis, Minnesota.

- VI C 3922 BERNARD JOHN HEETDERKS JR., son of Bernard John and Katherine Baker.

Born April 30, 1926.

In 1944 Bernard John graduated from the Galletin County High School at Bozeman, Montana. May 26, 1944—June 4, 1946 he served his country as Fire Controlman, Second Class in the United States Navy. 1946-8 he spent at Montana State College. 1948-50 he studied medicine at the State University of Minnesota, from which institution he received the M.D. degree.

- VI C 3923 ALBERT D. HEETDERKS, son of Bernard John and Katherine Baker.

Born July 2, 1928, at Oakland, California.

Like his brother, Albert D. graduated from the Gal-

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lentin County High School at Bozeman, Montana, attended Montana State College and enrolled in the College of medicine at the State University of Minnesota.

IV C 311 SAMUEL DENTON CORLETT, son of John Edward and Catherine Amanda.

Born August 31, 1872, in Clayton County, Iowa.

Died September 20, 1896, at the place of his birth.

Samuel Denton, or Sam as he was familiarly called, was born and reared and died on the Corlett Farm near Farmersburg, Iowa. Since his older brothers and sisters had all left home, his chief concern was for the welfare of his parents. Therefore, when he knew he was about to die, he placed all his resources in the hands of his maiden sister Jeanette with the understanding, "she would look after the old folk". His death resulted from an acute attack of appendicitis.

IV C 312 LEROY EVERTON CORLETT, son of John Edward and Catherine Amanda.

Born March 18, 1875, Clayton County, Iowa .

Married June 25, 1902, Jennie N. Good (1867—).¹⁹⁵⁴
Children: ^{3/27/04}

Thomas O'Toole (adopted) born, November 15, 1925.

Leroy Everton was born and reared on the Corlett Farm. He attended the public schools of Farmersburg Township, Clayton County, Iowa. He graduated from the National Normal University, Lebanon, Ohio. May 17, 1901 he received the degree of L.L.B. from the Iowa College of Law, Drake University. May 15, 1901



LEROY EVERTON CORLETT

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he was admitted to the Bar of Iowa. Whereupon he practiced law in the office of his brother James E. Corlett, at Elkader, Iowa.

The following year, 1902, Roy married Jennie N. Good of Neoga, Illinois, whom he had met while at school in Lebanon, Ohio. She had been high school principal at Shelbyville and at Clinton, Illinois. After her marriage she was principal of Penn Academy and taught Mathematics in the Oskaloosa High School. 1920-24 she was State Chairwoman of the Democratic Party. In 1920 she was a delegate to the Democratic National Convention in San Francisco, and in 1924 to the Party convention in New York City. She was an active member of the W.C.T.U., was county chairman of Red Cross production during World War II. She helped to organize and was first president of the Y.W.C.A. in Oskaloosa. She was a member and president of the Oskaloosa Woman's Club, president of the Presbyterian church Utopian Society, and member of P.E.O. Chapter 10 of Iowa. In 1939 she was chosen Honor Woman of the City by Julietta Lowe Honor Society.

In 1904 Leroy Everton and his wife moved to Oskaloosa, Iowa where he opened law offices and where he is still practicing law (1951). During this time he served six years as Clerk of the District Court. In World War I he served as volunteer Y.M.C.A. Secretary with the United States Army in France. In World War II he was County Chairman for War Bond

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Sales. He was Mayor of Oskaloosa and also City Solicitor. In 1941 he was given the Kiwanis "Award for Community Service". In 1948 he was given the Oskaloosa Junior Chamber of Commerce award of "Outstanding Citizen". The same year 1948 he wrote *A History of the Mahaska County Bar* for the Iowa State Department of History and Archives.

For years Roy has been active in Boy Scout work. He is a Republican, a Mason, a Kiwanian, and a Presbyterian. He is a member of the County, of State and of the American Bar Associations.

Since Roy and Jennie had no children of their own they did a great deal to help educate other's boys and girls especially some of their nieces and nephews. When Mrs. O'Toole, a niece of Mrs. Corlett died, they adopted the orphan Thomas. Roy's recreations are fishing and golf. By their good works ye shall know them.

V C 3121 THOMAS O'TOOLE CORLETT, adopted son of Leroy Everton and Jennie.

Born November 15, 1925, in St. Louis, Missouri.

He graduated from the Oskaloosa High School. During World War II he enlisted in the Navy and served as Ensign in the Pacific Theatre. After his discharge he received a B.A. degree from Central College, Pella, Iowa. In 1949 he enrolled at Iowa State Teachers College at Cedar Falls, Iowa, to work for a Master's degree and to qualify himself to teach.

III D4 SARAH CATHERINE CORLETT, daughter of John and Ann.

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Born February 12, 1837, Rhinebeck, New York.

Died July 4, 1922, Red Hook, New York.

Married November 28, 1859, Patrick Galvin (1825-1919) in Dutchess County, New York.

Children:

1. Annie Lenora, born December 12, 1860.
2. John Corlett, born February 18, 1863.
3. William Patrick, born December 26, 1864.
4. James Augustus, born October 10, 1868.
5. George Edwin, born March 6, 1872.
6. Francis Henry, born October 19, 1874.

Sarah Catherine was born in Rhinebeck, New York, but while still a baby moved with her parents to Griffin's Corner, Delaware County, New York. Here she spent her girlhood, but returned to Rhinebeck in her late teens. At the time of her marriage she resided in Margorettesville.

November 28, 1859 she married Patrick Galvin in Dutchess County, N. Y. That gentleman had been born in County Cork, Ireland, August 15, 1825. The young couple moved to Red Hook where he was employed by William B. Astor. When the latter died, Patrick obtained a position on the estate of Franklin H. Delano. Here he remained until the weakness of age required him to retire. He died November 23, 1919.

Throughout the sixty years of her married life Sarah Catherine was a good wife and mother. She bore six children all of whom reached maturity. Always helpful and lovable she established a wide circle of friends. She died at her home in Red Hook, July 4, 1922.



GOLDEN WEDDING—MAY 31, 1901

Reading from left to right—

Leroy Everton, Frank John, Amy Helen, Horace Benjamin, Anna Jeanette, James Emery, Cyrus Colfax, John Edward, Catherine Amanda.



GOLDEN WEDDING—MAY 31, 1901

Top Row—First and Second unknown, Leroy, between Leroy and Lillian is Louisa Reed, Lillian, Frank, Jim, Stella, Maggie, Cy, Horace.
Middle Row—John E., Catherine Amanda, Mary and Marshall Crawford.
Bottom Row, Seated—D. Alton, Amy, Katherine, Roy, Ruth, Hale, Jeanette.

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IV D 41 ANNIE LENORA GALVIN, daughter of Patrick and Sarah Catherine.

Born December 12, 1860, at Red Hook, N. Y.

Died March 27, 1935, at Hughsonville, N. Y.

Annie Lenora never married. She lived with her mother and cared for her especially in her declining years.

IV D 42 JOHN CORLETT GALVIN, son of Patrick and Sarah Catherine.

Born February 18, 1863, at Red Hook, N. Y.

Married February 18, 1890, Annie Corke (—Nov. 18, 1933).

There were no children.

IV D 43 WILLIAM PATRICK GALVIN, son of Patrick and Sarah Catherine.

Born December 26, 1864, at Red Hook, N. Y.

Died 1890, unmarried.

IV D 44 JAMES AGUSTUS GALVIN, son of Patrick and Sarah Catherine.

Born October 10, 1868, Red Hook, N. Y.

Married August 21, 1895, Amelia Cole (—Sept. 21, 1942).

There were no children.

IV D 45 GEORGE EDWIN GALVIN, son of Patrick and Sarah Catherine.

Born March 6, 1872, Dutchess County, N. Y.

Married December 21, 1905, Helen Goldner (1879-) in New York City.

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Children:

1. George Edwin Jr., born August 9, 1907, New York, N. Y.
2. Walter Corlett, born October 27, 1909 in Leesburg, Va.
3. Helen Charlotte, born January 1911, New York, N. Y.; died June 1911 in Leesburg, Va.
4. Marian Helen, born February 25, 1913, Baltimore, Md.
5. Evelyn Patricia, born November 14, 1916, Jersey City, N. J.
6. Daniel Terry, born November 21, 1918 in Jersey City, N. J.
7. David Warren, born November 21, 1918 in Jersey City, N. J.

V D 451 GEORGE EDWIN GALVIN, JR., son of George Edwin and Helen.

Born August 9, 1907, in New York City, N. Y. He is unmarried. He holds an executive position at LaGuardia Field.

V D 452 WALTER CORLETT GALVIN, son of George Edwin and Helen.

Born October 27, 1909, in Leesburg, Virginia.

Married July 3, 1936, Ellen Frances Miller who was born Jan. 6, 1911 in Greenpoint, L. I., N. Y.

Children:

1. Joan Leslie, born February 21, 1939, in Buenos Aires, Argentina.
2. Marilyn Corlett, born December 3, 1942 in Buenos Aires, Argentina.

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At present he is living in Vermont.

- V D 454 MARION HELEN GALVIN, daughter of George Edwin and Helen.

Born February 25, 1913, in Baltimore, Maryland.

Married September 5, 1942, Charles Victor Beckers, who was born November 14, 1911 in New York City, N. Y.

Children:

Charles Victor, Jr. Born August 30, 1943 in Bel-
laire, L. I., N. Y.

- V D 455 EVELYN PATRICIA GALVIN, daughter of George Edwin and Helen.

Born November 14, 1916, in Jersey City, N. J.

Unmarried.

- V D 456 DANIEL TERRY GALVIN, son of George Edwin and Helen.

Born November 21, 1918, in Jersey City, N. J.

Married February 7, 1942, Dorothy Emelie Heinz, who was born February 27, 1920 in Glendale, Brooklyn, N. Y.

During World War II Daniel served in the Naval Air Force in the Pacific Theatre. While operating in Task Force 58 the Japanese shot him down over Iwo Jima. After four days in the water he was picked up by a Japanese Destroyer and held in prison. It was very difficult. He lost sixty-eight pounds before he was rescued. Later as Lt. Commander he was stationed at a Naval Air Base in Mass.

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- V D 457 DAVID WARREN GALVIN, son of George Edwin and Helen.

Born November 21, 1918 in Jersey City, N. J.

Married December 27, 1941, Alice Isabell Bryczkosky, who was born May 11, 1918 in Jamaica, L. I., N. Y.

Children:

Kathleen Elizabeth, born June 5, 1944 in Alameda, California.

David Warren served in the Armed Forces of the United States during World War II. Thereafter he was with an Insurance Company in New York City, N. Y.

- IV D 46 FRANCIS HENRY GALVIN, son of Patrick and Sarah Catherine.

Born October 19, 1874, Dutchess County, N. Y.

Married October 10, 1899, Mary Pierson (—Oct. 10, 1939).

Children:

1. Frances, born October 1901. She married a Mr. Rose and has one daughter Katherine Rose.

- III E 5 SUSAN MORIAH CORLETT, daughter of John and Ann.

Born April 20, 1839, Dutchess County, N. Y.

Died January 27, 1895.

Married December 8, 1860, David Becker.

Children:

1. Frank Wilber, born January 15, 1862.
2. Elnora Constantia, born March 15, 1864.
3. Sarah Louise, born February 2, 1867.

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4. Nancy Emeline, born May 4, 1869.

5. Antoinette Corlett, born March 1, 1878.

IV E 51 FRANK WILBER BECKER, son of David and Susan Moriah.

Born January 15, 1862 .

Died 1945.

Married May 8, 1882, Rose Minkler.

Children:

1. Ethel

2. Florence

3. Millard

4. Rodney

5. Richard

6. Francis.

IV E 52 ELNORA CONSTANTIA BECKER, daughter of David and Sarah Moriah.

Born March 15, 1864.

Died January 28, 1894. Unmarried..

IV E 53 SARAH LOUISE BECKER, daughter of David and Sarah Moriah.

Born February 2, 1867.

Died September 17, 1945.

Married October 28, 1891, George Crawford.

Children:

1. Lanah, born April 20, 1893.

V E 531 LANAH CRAWFORD, daughter of George and Sarah Louise.

Born April 20, 1893.

Married December 15, 1915, George D. Hasbrouch.

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Children:

Janet, born August 23, 1921.

Present address: 90 Franklin Turnpike, Waldiveck,
N. J.

IV E 54 NANCY EMELINE BECKER, daughter of
David and Sarah Moriah.

Born May 4, 1869.

Married February 3, 1892, Edward Bach.

Children:

1. Dora Harrington, born October 30, 1892.

2. Donald, born October, 1903.

V E 541 DORA HARRINGTON BACH, daughter of
Edward and Nancy Emeline.

Born October 30, 1892.

Married May 26, 1917, John Duncan Valentine.

Children:

1. Elizabeth Antoinette, born March 28, 1918.

2. Lucille Hope, born August 18, 1926.

3. Patricia Faith, March 16, 1929.

VI E 5411 ELIZABETH ANTOINETTE VALEN-
TINE, daughter of John Duncan and Dora Harrington.
Born March 28, 1918.

Married November 16, 1941, Richard Goodman Foster.

Children:

1. Richard Goodman Foster Jr., born October 11,
1946.

VI E 5412 LUCILE HOPE VALENTINE, daughter of
John Duncan and Dora Harrington.

Born August 18, 1926.

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Married November 14, 1945, Henry N. Graff III.

V E 542 DONALD BACH, son of Edward and Nancy Emeline.

Born October 22, 1903.

Married June 18, 1927, Lucille Fox.

Children:

Richard Barry, born October 5, 1929.

IV E 55 ANTOINETTE CORLETT BECKER, daughter of David and Susan Moriah.

Born March 1, 1878.

Married a Mr. Barrett.

Children:

Catherine, who married Mr. Johnson.

CHAPTER 3

The Crawford Family

The Crawford clan was of Celtic origin. Although it repulsed the Romans at the Clyde near Crawford Castle, it later was less successful against the invasions of Picts and Norsemen. Therefore the people became a blend of the three nationalities.

The name, originally spelled Crod-Phort and pronounced Croforst, meant a sheltered place. It should not be confused with Crow-Ford, a passage across the Clyde within the Crawford land boundaries, which took its name from the fact that crows flew over the river at this point to find protection at the end of the day.

A descendant of the Earl of Richmond¹ became the Earl of Crawford. Under his banner, which displayed saltire spears supporting a stag's head, many a brave clansman fought for the freedom of his country.

The son of Andrew Crawford was Thomas born in 1690. He was a stout jolly Scot who loved the sea, owned his own ship, and was the Captain thereof. It was he who eventually migrated to America during the second decade of the eighteenth century, married, and established a home in New Jersey. He became the father of ten children, four boys and six girls. However, misfortune befell him. Caught in a storm

1. *The William Crawford Memorial*

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at sea, he went down with his ship carrying all his earthly goods with him. His wife, thus impoverished, was unable to provide properly for the children. She bound them out. They became scattered, their records were lost except that of William, the seventh child.

II WILLIAM CRAWFORD, son of Thomas.

Born March 2, 1731, Jersey City, N. J.

Died October 25, 1828.

Married May 28, 1764, (3) Catherine Rolfsmith; born May 28, 1747; died May 28, 1847.

Children:

1. William
2. Lizzie
3. Polly
4. John and
5. Amy, twins
6. Rebecca
7. Moses.

Little is known of William's activities except that he was married three times. In 1774-5 he moved to Minisink, "the land from which the water is gone". It comprised portions of what is now the three states of New York, New Jersey, and Pennsylvania. Mr. James Snell² tells us:

"The most valuable portion of the famous Minisink Patent lay within the boundaries of Montague. It embraced that fertile tract of land extending from the mouth of the Machachemach at Carpenter's Point,

2. *History of Sussex and Warren Counties, N. J.* pp. 362.

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down the left bank of the Delaware River to the lower point of 'Great Minisink Island'. This patent covered the two largest and most fertile islands of the Delaware River, with the adjoining plots lying along the Jersey shore—Machipacong Island, lying between Carpenter's Point and the Brick House, and Minisink Island lying below Brick House."

The first settlement, Minisink, was opposite the lower end of the island. At the point where a tributary joined the Delaware, the early Dutch founded Milford; and on the opposite bank Brick House, Minisink Precinct, County of Orange, Province of New York. Later it was Montague, Sussex Co., N. J. The village Brick House was so called, because a hotel built of bricks had been erected there where the old stage route from Norwalk crossed the River. It consisted of the hotel, post-office, a store, two blacksmiths' shops, a wheelwright's shop, two churches, a schoolhouse, a sawmill and some grist mills. At the point where the stream joined the Bene Kill, Johnnes Westbrook built a grist mill, while his son-in-law, Daniel Westfall had one on the opposite side. William Crawford erected his mill a mile and a half upstream from Brick House. He also ran a ferry across the river. Thomas Quick's house stood on the banks of Vander Mauk Creek, but the tavern, house, and mill were near the mouth of Quicktown Creek nearer the bend of the Delaware. All of these places and the families associated with them are important in Crawford history.

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(1) January 8, 1776, William Crawford was commissioned Lieutenant in Captain John Beatty's Company in the Fifth Pennsylvanian Battalion. He was taken prisoner at Fort Washington November 16, 1776 and exchanged October 25, 1780. He was entitled to the Captain's commission from January 1778. He did not reenter the army. Probably he returned to his flour mill and ferry.

III 71 WILLIAM CRAWFORD, son of William and Catherine, inherited his father's estate. However, he moved to Michigan, where he reared six children: Earl, Lizzie, who married (1) Mr. Compton, (2) Mr. Sly, and Polly who moved to Ontario. The other names are missing.

III 74 JOHN CRAWFORD, son of William and Catherine, died unmarried, at the age of twenty years.

III 75 AMY CRAWFORD, daughter of William and Catherine, married (1) Mr. Dennis, (2) ———.

III 76 REBECCA CRAWFORD, daughter of William and Catherine.

Married Helemus Westbrook, Sussex Co., N. J.

Children: Abe, John, Will, Crawford, Rebecca, Helen and two other boys.

The family lived in Bradford County, Pa. which is about twelve miles from Elmira, N. Y.

III 77 MOSES CRAWFORD, son of William and Catherine.

1. *Pennsylvania in the War of the Revolution.*

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MOSES CRAWFORD

1. No Moses Crawford is listed in the 1860 Census of Farmersburg Township, Clayton County, Iowa, but James, Eleanor and Moses appear in that of 1870, p. 17.

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Born January 23, 1785 in the village of Brick House (Montague) Sussex Co., N. J.

Died January 5, 1874 at the home of Abram Westbrook, Bradford Co., Pa.

Married: June 1803, Rebecca Cole, born June 21, 1787; died March 30, 1859.

Children: (1) John, (2) James, (3) William C., (4) Jane, (5) Catherine, (6) Susan.

Moses had no schooling; he was self-taught. He was an ardent Mason. As the seventh son of the seventh son he was said to have performed cures by the laying on of hands. He was a miller by trade and ran a grist mill three miles below Milford at Raymond's Rill, Pike Co., Pa. He also made millstones.

After the death of his wife, he went to live with his son James and wife at Farmersburg, Clayton County, Iowa sometime between 1860 and 1870¹.

IV 771 JOHN CRAWFORD, son of Moses and Rebecca.

Married: Hannah Cole at Deckertown, N. J.

They had one child, Esther.

John enlisted in the United States army during the Mexican War and was killed in the battle of Chapultepec.

IV 772 JAMES CRAWFORD, son of Moses and Rebecca.

Born June 28, 1807, Brick House, Sussex Co., N. J.

Died June 12, 1892, Clayton Co., Iowa.

Married June 28, 1827, Eleanor Quick (1804-1884).



JAMES CRAWFORD AND
ELEANOR QUICK CRAWFORD

1. *Census of Farmersburg Township, Clayton County, Iowa, June 1, 1860*
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Children:

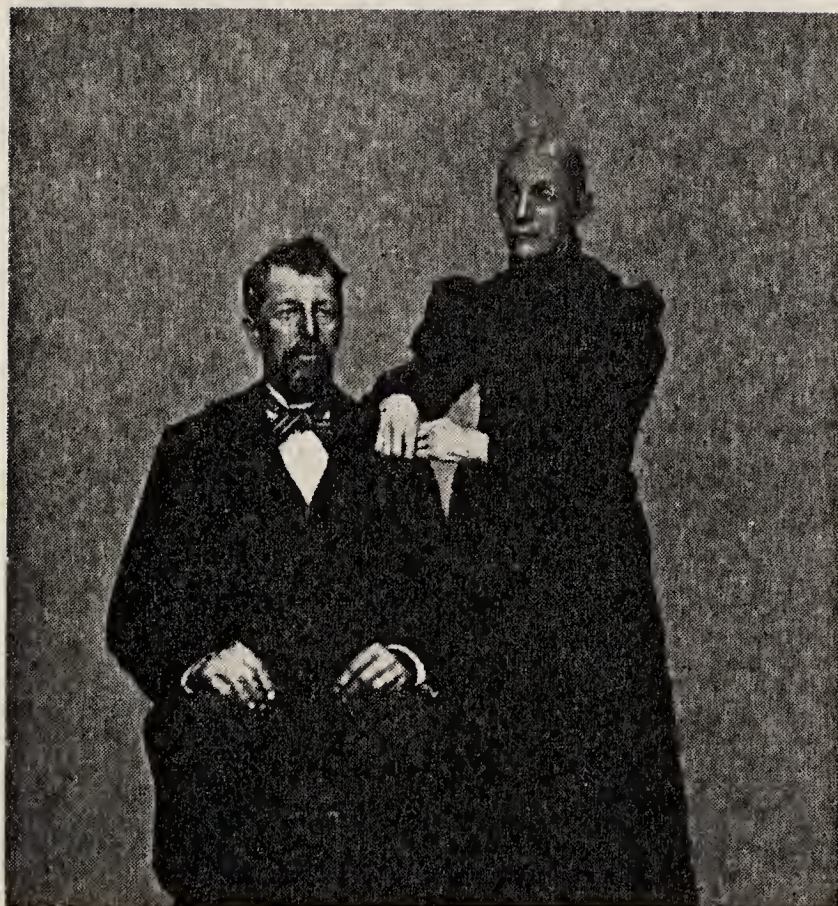
1. Marshall, born March 27, 1828.
2. Milo Doddridge, born Dec. 25, 1829.
3. Catherine Amanda, born Sept. 17, 1833.
4. Eleanor Rebecca, born August 20, 1836.
5. Ralph Buell, born July 20, 1840.
6. Charrick Westbrook, born October 28, 1842.

ELEANOR QUICK, born June 9, 1804, Callicoon Centre, Sullivan Co., N. Y. Died September 20, 1884, Farmersburg, Clayton Co., Iowa. She was the daughter of Jacob² Quick (born June 1775) and his wife Eleanor Van Garden (married, January 10, 1796). She was a tall, straight woman with black hair and eyes, as vivacious as her eyes were bright.

JACOB QUICK was the son of Petrus (1747—) and Hannah DeWitt (1755-1806), Pike Co., Pa. Peter served as a Private in Capt. Van Etten's Co., Northampton Co., Militia and in the 5th Battalion, Northampton Co. Militia 1781. (See Pa. Arch: 5:8:372, 410 and 572).

James Crawford was a miller in Pike Co., Pa. 'till sometime in the late 1850's when he moved to Clayton County, Iowa, whither his daughter Catherine Amanda and her husband John Corlett had settled, in 1858. He purchased land which was valued in 1860 at \$1600.00¹, a goodly sum for Iowa land at that time.

2. For a complete and accurate record of the Quick Family see *A Geneology of the Quick Family in America 1625-1942* by Arthur Craig Quick.



MARSHALL CRAWFORD AND
MARY B. RICHARDS

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V 7721 MARSHALL CRAWFORD, son of James and Eleanor.

Born March 27, 1828, Brick House, Pa.

Died December 8, 1913.

Married Mary B. Richards of Massachusetts.

Children:

1. Arlie, born about 1864, married Dave McGill, and died very young.

2. Leo.

Marshall was a farmer who enjoyed life in the Delaware Country in his youth and in the valley of the Mississippi in his mature years.

V 7722 MILO DODDRIDGE CRAWFORD, son of James and Eleanor.

Born December 25, 1829, Milford, Pa.

Died August 2, 1916, Portland, Oregon.

Married 1859, Mary Ann Woodcock (-1915).

Children:

(1) George,

(2) William and six others

Milo and Mary Ann first lived in McGregor, Iowa. He served with the Federal troops three years during the Civil War. In 1872 they moved to Oregon, where they settled in and near Portland.

V 7723 CATHERINE AMANDA CRAWFORD, daughter of James and Eleanor.

Born September 17, 1833, Pike Co., Pa.

Died August 19, 1906, Elkader, Iowa.



CATHERINE AMANDA CRAWFORD

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Married May 31, 1851, John Edward Corlett².

To them were born twelve children³.

Catherine Amanda was educated in the public schools of her native state and at Mount Retirement Seminary, Libertyville, N. J. After her graduation she taught school until her marriage to John E. Corlett. For five years the young couple resided in Sullivan County, New York, where their two oldest children were born. In January 1856 they came as pioneers to Farmersburg Township, Clayton County, Iowa. In May her third child was born. Her whole life was devoted to helping her husband in his many undertakings, maintaining a real home for him, their twelve children, and the many guests who came to their door. She was a member of the Presbyterian Church in Pennsylvania and of the Methodist Church in Iowa. Needless to say her life was one of ceaseless work and thoughtfulness for others. To attend to the physical, educational, and spiritual needs of her large family was indeed time-consuming. In 1898 she moved with her husband to Elkader. They had buried three sons, the remaining nine children were married happily except the youngest son was still in college. A life's work had been completed. There remained eight years to enjoy in ease and comfort. In May 1906 she suffered an attack of appoplexy from which she never recovered.

V 7724 ELEANOR REBECCA CRAWFORD, daughter of James and Eleanor.

² See pp. 7-10.

³ See pp. 7 and following IV C 31—IV C 312.

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Born August 20, 1836, Pike Co., Pa.

Died February 22, 1924, Clayton Co., Iowa.

Married September 19, 1852, John Orr a Scotch immigrant who lived in McGregor, Iowa.

Children:

(1) Alice, born, June 2, 1854.

(2) Josephine Ellen, born, July 18, 1857.

(3) John, born, April 24, 1859.

(4) Clarence, born, September 7, 1867.

John and Rebecca Orr lived, worked and reared their family on a Clayton County, Iowa, farm when Eastern Iowa was the frontier of the United States.

VI 77242 JOSEPHINE ELLEN ORR, daughter of John and Rebecca.

Born July 18, 1857.

Married Edward Everett Washburn.

Resided at Newport, Washington.

Children:

(1) Anna, who married Charles H. Jacobs. He spent much time in Alaska, but the residence was Newport, Wash. They had one son Robert, born 1920.

(2) Aimee who married N. H. Cooper, a butcher from New Hampshire. They had no children.

(3) Etta, who married a veterinary-physician. They had twin sons, Kenneth and Gordon, born 1906.

VI 77243 JOHN ORR, son of John and Rebecca.

Born April 24, 1859.

The Corlett Family in America

Married 1880, Millie Pohlman.

Children:

(1) Mabel who married Amos Moore, a railroad man. They lived in Mason City, Iowa. They had one daughter, Ruth.

(2) Albert.

V 7725 RALPH BUELL CRAWFORD, son of James and Eleanor.

Born July 20, 1840, Brick House, Pike Co., Pa.

Married November 17, 1867, Hannah Frazier, at Farmersburg, Iowa.

Child: Nora May.

Ralph studied medicine and for many years practiced in Chicago, Ill. He was especially interested in the cure of Tuberculosis.

VI 77251 NORA MAY CRAWFORD, daughter of Ralph Buell and Hannah.

Born October 4, 1872 in Wayne Co., Nebraska.

Married (1) November 15, 1891, Henry Donnell, born November 1864.

(2) June 17, 1903, Fay Payne at Sioux City, Iowa, born July 21, 1872.

Children:

(1) Marie Donnell, born, June 17, 1894 at Ponce, Nebraska.

(2) Gladys Henrietta, born, April 16, 1896.

(3) Virginia, born, April 18, 1904.

VII 772511 MARIE DONNELL, daughter of Henry and Nora.

The Corlett Family in America

Born June 17, 1894, Ponce, Nebraska.

Married June 21, 1913, Axel Larson, at Sioux City, Iowa.

Child: Duane Donnell, born April 19, 1915, at Sioux City, Iowa.

V 7726 CHARRICK WESTBROOK CRAWFORD, son of James and Eleanor.

Born October 28, 1842, Brick House, Pa.

Died October 28, 1892.

Married 1866, Laura Frazie.

Child: Ida.

IV 773 WILLIAM C. CRAWFORD, son of Moses and Rebecca.

Born June 28, 1804, Brick House, Sussex Co., N.J.

Married Julia Ann Hazen of Sparrowbush, N.Y.

Resided in Jersey City, N.J.

Children:

(1) Olive married Uriah McCarty. They had three sons, Uriah, Elmer, Frank, and eight grandchildren in 1901.

(2) Charles Raines, born, September 20, 1840.

(3) Alanson

(4) Martha

(5) George

(6) Jack, born 1844, Minersville, Pa.

(7) Alice, who married A. Pierson.

(8) Ed.

V 7732 CHARLES RAINES CRAWFORD, son of William and Julia Ann.

The Corlett Family in America

Born September 20, 1840.

Died July 10, 1902.

Married 1861, Phoebe Vanaker of Harrisville, Sussex Co., N.J.

Children:

- (1) Willie B. born, January 24, 1862, died August 30, 1881.
- (2) Mary L. born, August 24, 1864, died March 16, 1889.
- (3) Wade B., born, July 30, 1867.
- (4) Ida G., born, December 13, 1870.
- (5) George, born, March 10, 1874.

VI 77324 IDA G. CRAWFORD, daughter of Charles Raines and Phoebe.

Born December 13, 1870.

Married December 26, 1888 William Percival.

Children:

- (1) Lena L. born, October 26, 1890.
- (2) Harry W., born, August 28, 1892.
- (3) Phoebe T., born, April 30, 1896.
- (4) William Raymond, born, February 24, 1901.
- (5) Walter John, born, August 24, 1915.

V 7733 ALANSON CRAWFORD, son of William and Julia.

Married Elizabeth Paxton.

Children:

- (1) Charles.
- (2) Margaret.
- (3) Robert.

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(4) Lewis.

(5) William.

(6) Fred, who had two children, Clifford and Gladys.

(7) Harry.

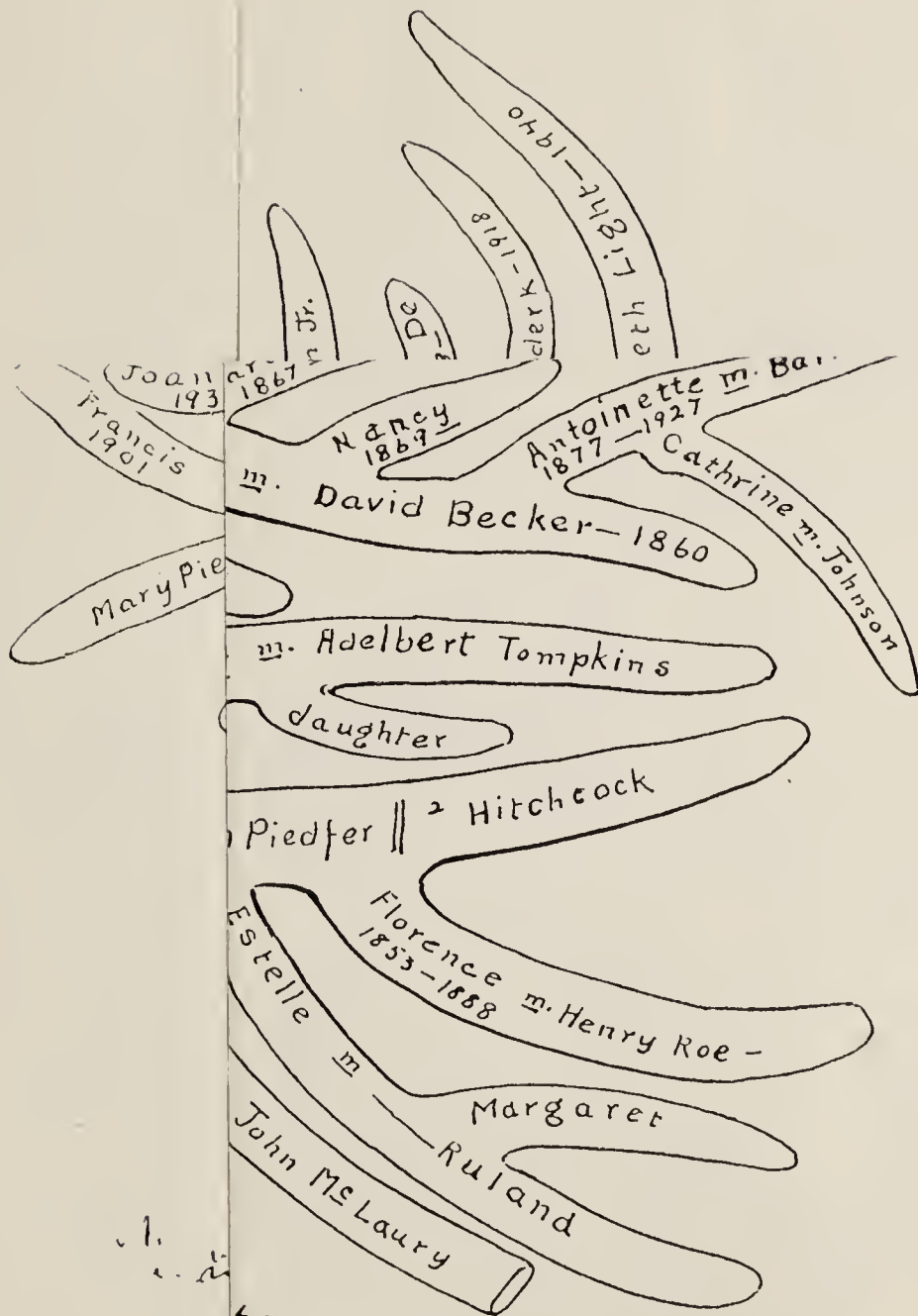
V 7734 MARTHA CRAWFORD, daughter of William and Julia.

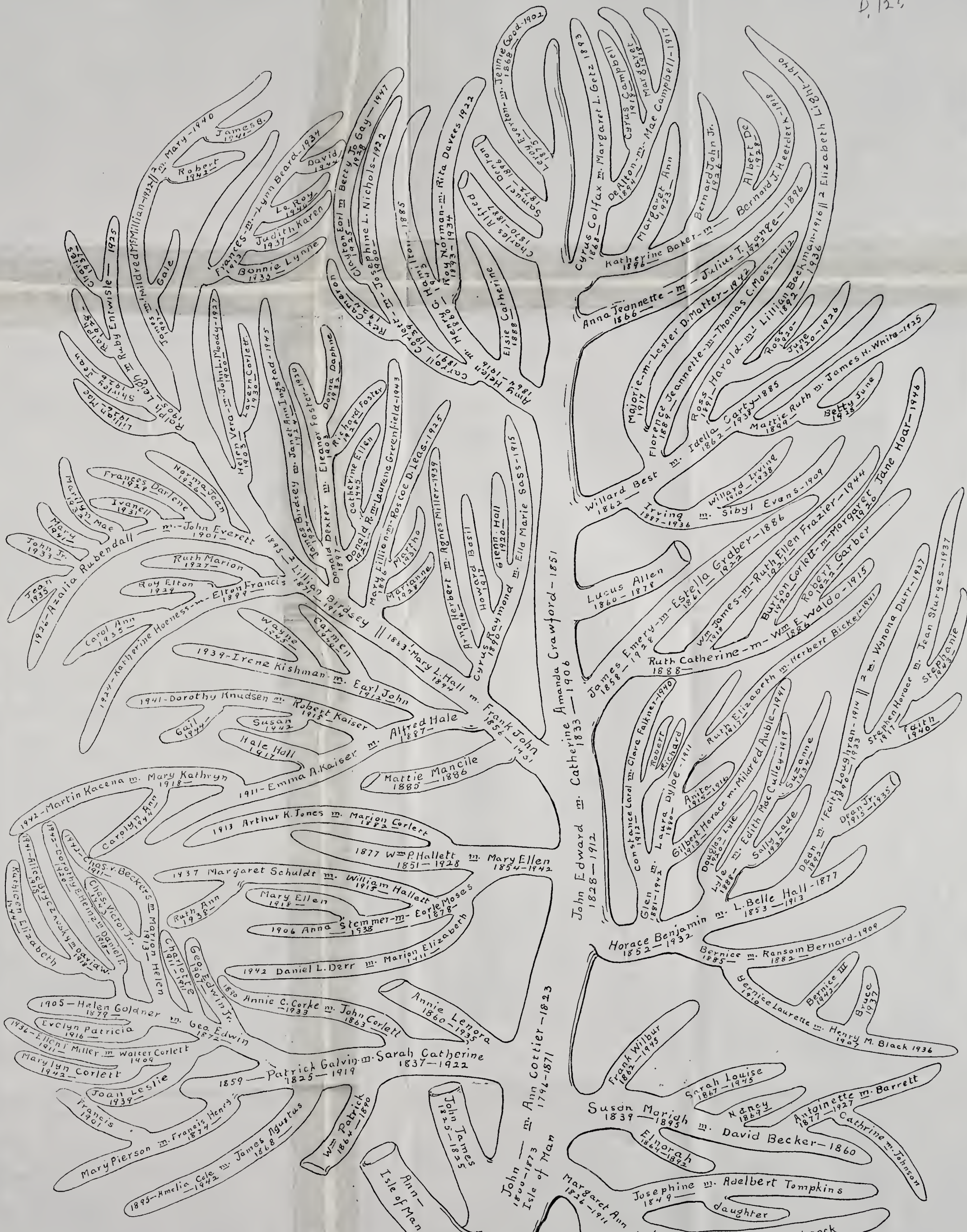
Married Horace Hazen of Hawley, Wayne Co., Pa.

V 7736 JACK CRAWFORD, son of William and Julia.
Born 1844, Minersville, Pa.

He was a tall strong, fine-looking man who served in the Union Army during the Civil War, and although very young was commissioned Captain. Later he became a poet and lecturer.

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Corlett Family Tree 1767 — 1946

Daniel Corlett
of
Donaghney
Isle of Man
1767-1817
m. Elenore Cannell

John — m. Ann Cortier — 1823
Isle of Man
1800-1873

Margaret Ann
1826-1911

Josephine m. Adalbert Tompkins
1849

daughter
m. Joseph Piedfer || 2 Hitchcock

Estelle m. John McLaury

Florence m. Henry Roe -

Margaret
Ruland

Constance m. John McLaury

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